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Foreword

At the annual meeting in January, Charles E. Mason, Jr. retired as President after six eventful years in that office. He has given an enormous amount of time to The Trustees of Reservations. His energy, enthusiasm and good sense and the affection in which he is so widely held have been of inestimable value to the organization. He has always been ready to help, whether in the gracious conduct of a Conservation Award ceremony, in trudging through the snow to look at land along the Charles River or in devising new ways of protecting and enlarging our holdings on his beloved Vineyard. But we shall not miss him, for he will continue as a member of the Advisory Council and as an active member of many of our subcommittees.

In the Director's Report of Activities in 1976 which follows, you will see that we have completed another year of intense activity and accomplishment with the acquisition of acreage in fee and of conservation restrictions on a number of significant properties. And you will see from the Treasurer's report that we finished the 1975–1976 Fiscal Year with an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$1,690—a small surplus but a remarkable reversal of the substantial deficit incurred the year before. This feat was made possible by the application of rigorous budgetary control and the active cooperation of the entire staff as well as by the infusion of increased income from the contributions of our loyal members.

It must be evident, however, to any reader of these reports that both our staff and our financial resources are now stretched almost to the breaking point. While our first priority must continue to be the preservation of our reservations and their protection, with efficient and effective management of their resources both natural and cultural, and in some cases by the acquisition of inholdings or conservation restrictions on adjacent property, to confine our activities simply to maintaining existing reservations would be to stand still and thus to fail in carrying out an important part of our charter purposes, namely the acquisition of further "beautiful and historical places and tracts of land within the Commonwealth."

The report of the Future Policy Committee, recently submitted to the Standing Committee after two years of work, suggests policies and procedures in four areas which should make it possible for us to live more comfortably within our

means and at the same time better to accomplish the purposes for which The Trustees of Reservations was established in 1891.

First, we must strictly adhere to a set of principles with respect to new acquisitions: we should not consider the acquisition of a new reservation unless it is of "museum quality" or unless it comes to us with an adequate endowment. In some cases, we should prefer the acquisition of conservation restrictions rather than the acquisition of a fee, if the former will serve as well to protect a significant landscape feature, for the holding of a conservation restriction is likely to entail less of a financial and administrative burden than ownership of the property. Usually we should not accept conservation restrictions without an adequate contribution to the fund established for the enforcement of such restrictions, and we should be reluctant to accept conservation restrictions at all if their purpose can be as effectively accomplished by giving them to another conservation organization. In the acquisition of properties not of museum quality, we should insure future flexibility by retaining the right to transfer the property to a similar organization should the time come when its preservation would be better served in this way. We should also reserve the right to raze buildings not of historic significance. With The Land Conservation Trust, a separate trust and subsidiary of The Trustees of Reservations, we can acquire property and subsequently sell it subject to conservation restrictions which will insure the preservation of its character and, in some cases, may even sell a portion of the property for other purposes.

Second, we must place an even greater emphasis on regionalization. Our present management organization divides the state into six regions and nine superintendency districts. If each of the three major management regions were under a competent regional supervisor, this would relieve our headquarters staff of many of the time-consuming details of administration and would at the same time provide closer contact with the Local Committees and better supervision of the reservations lying within the region.

Third, the institution of a more formal and better defined program for volunteers should provide assistance in planning and implementing preservation projects, acquiring inholdings, managing and administering our properties in the field and aiding our staff at headquarters in public communications and fund raising.

And, fourth, while savings may be effected by careful budgeting and by ventures in cooperative management with other conservation organizations, a major effort to increase our general endowment is an absolute necessity. A special cam-

paign committee should be established to design and carry out such a fund-raising effort. Great strides have been made in the recent past in improving our annual giving, but still greater effort must be directed toward increasing our membership and increasing the yearly contributions which we receive. As suggested in the report of the Future Policy Committee, the present program of expanding the number of Friends organizations where strong local interest in the property already exists is perhaps the most effective way to increase membership and contributions. But we cannot lose sight of the fact that we must support many reservations which do not have a Friends organization and that the support of every one of our reservations depends in considerable measure on the work which goes on at General Headquarters. A steady flow of unrestricted funds continues to be our greatest need.

We are confident that in the years which lie ahead The Trustees of Reservations will, through the continued cooperation of its contributing members, its Local Committees, its Trustees, its Advisory Council and Standing Committee, and with a substantial increase in its funds, both restricted and unrestricted, be able to continue the successful fulfillment of its charter purposes.

John M. Woolsey, Jr. President

Theodore Chase Chairman of the Standing Committee

Report of Activities 1976

Acquisition and Preservation

In 1892, the first annual report of The Trustees of Reservations proclaimed the organization as "a ready instrument by means of which any person, or body of persons, may insure the permanent preservation of any beautiful and historical place in Massachusetts."

That year, The Trustees of Reservations acquired its first property, Virginia Woods in Stoneham, now a part of Middlesex Fells Reservation, a property of the Metropolitan District Commission.

Today, that "ready (and thoroughly remarkable) instrument" is custodian for 63 landscape and natural areas and historic sites from the hills of Berkshire County to Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket.

They total more than 13,644 acres of seashore and woodlands, rivers and streams, landscape areas and formal gardens, wetlands, marshes and wildlife refuges.

In addition, we now also hold 35 conservation restrictions or easements protecting some 3,870 acres of land. In all, The Trustees of Reservations preserves for environmental purposes some 17,620 acres of land throughout the Commonwealth. In 1976, The Trustees of Reservations provided permanent protection for some 2,305 acres; some 167 acres of this are held in fee, 2,138 acres are protected by conservation restrictions.

Seven Gifts of Land in Fee

The following is a summary of property acquired in fee during 1976: Ashley Field, Ashley Falls, 35 acres purchased from The Land Conservation Trust; Mytoi, Chappaquiddick, 11 acres, property either side of the access road to Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, gift of Mrs. Seth Wakeman; Little Neck, 10.8 acres purchased from John O. Brotherhood (gift of Mrs. Seth Wakeman), a parcel which now guarantees that the integrity of this precious nesting area will be preserved forever; Medouie Creek, Nantucket, 4.8 acres, gift of the Medouie Creek Association; Appleton Farms Grass Rides, Hamilton, 28.6 acres, gift of Mrs. Francis R. Appleton, Jr.; Tisbury Pond Club, West Tisbury, 28.6 acres (two, ninth, undivided one-tenth interests), gift of Frederick N. Blodgett and Carl J. Gilbert; Menemsha Hills, Chilmark, 12.4 acres (eleventh, one-

twelfth undivided interest), gift of Miss Catherine Harris and Nathaniel L. Harris (their gift in 1977 of a final undivided interest completes the donation of some 149 acres on the north shore of Martha's Vineyard); Old Town Hill, Newbury, 8 acres (undivided one-third interest given in 1976, two-thirds undivided interest given in January, 1977), gift of Dr. and Mrs. Elliott Perkins; Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover, 1.7 acres, given by the heirs of Mabel Brace Ward: Charles L. Ward, Charles L. Ward, Jr., Thomas Dillingham Ward, Elizabeth Ward Kimball, Richard Ward Kimball, Margaret Kimball Montgomery and John W. Kimball.

We are immensely grateful to all donors of land and partial interest in land.

Six Gifts of Conservation Restrictions

Since 1972, The Trustees of Reservations has acquired 35 conservation restrictions, each of which protects the scenic and open condition of significant environmental areas while the fee title still remains in private ownership.

Conservation restrictions acquired in 1976: Nashawena Island, Gosnold, 1,900 acres, second largest of the Elizabeth Islands, gift of the Trustees of the Nashawena Trust (its 1,900 acres make the largest environmental area protected by conservation restriction in the Commonwealth); Tiah's Cove, West Tisbury, 65 acres, a point of land on the north shore of Tisbury Great Pond, gift of Mrs. Mildred L. Spalding; salt marsh, Ipswich 30 acres (a part of the Ipswich-Essex Salt Marsh Protection Program), gift of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Phillips (in 1977) Mr. and Mrs. Phillips also gave a restriction protecting 8-acre Oak Island in the marsh); Bothways Farm, Essex, 99 acres, a magnificent part of the New England "farmscape" and a significant property on a threshold of the Town of Essex, gift of Mrs. Frederic C. Bartlett: Charles River, Millis, 20 acres, gift of Mrs. Talbot Baker and family; Charles River, Sherborn, 24 acres, gift of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Forbes, both the above are a part of the Charles River Protection Program, a continuing program to protect the environmental values of a special section of the Upper Charles River Valley.

We are enormously grateful as well to all donors of conservation restrictions.

Grant Helps Purchase Ashley Field

In January, 1976, a loan of \$30,000 from The Land Conservation Trust established by The Trustees of Reservations in 1973, made possible the long-sought purchase of Conklin or Ashley Field in Ashley Falls, some 35 acres which separate Bartholomew's Cobble itself from the Colonel John Ashley House. Its acquisition was vital to protect the integrity of both properties and to join lands that all once belonged to Colonel Ashley. An additional \$30,000 of the purchase price

was raised from public subscription as a part of the campaign begun in 1970 to enlarge and protect Bartholomew's Cobble.

Later in the year, with a grant received from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's National Park Service Grants-in-Aid Program, we were able to repay The Land Conservation Trust. We are most grateful to the Commission and to the National Park Service.

East Beach— Chappaquiddick

During the year, we also purchased additional interests in some 72 acres of land at East Beach, Chappaquiddick, a part of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge. Today, The Trustees of Reservations is owner of a 79.17 percent undivided interest in the parcel. Contributions to the Fund for the Acquisition and Protection of Conservation Land will be sought to replace monies used for the purchase.

Charles River Protection Program

We continue to cooperate with the United States Army Corps of Engineers whose flood control program for the Charles River is designed to protect its wetlands for natural valley storage of flood waters. Ours is designed to preserve the scenic corridor of the river itself. Thus the two are wholly complementary. We have agreed (after notifying donors) to grant to the Corps flowage easements on our wetlands within natural valley storage areas adding to our own a Federal guarantee that their integrity will be preserved forever. And we are urging landowners who have given conservation restrictions to The Trustees of Reservations protecting river front lands to do the same. The Trustees of Reservations restriction is the more restrictive of the two.

Tisbury Pond Club

At Martha's Vineyard, thanks to the kindness of Frederick N. Blodgett and Carl J. Gilbert, who with the late William B. Rogers are donors of the property, it was agreed that the Tisbury Pond Club will become the property of The Trustees of Reservations on January 1, 1980. Planning has already begun for the protection of its remarkable natural resources.

Lands in Mashpee Defended

In Mashpee The Trustees of Reservations became one of 123 defendants in a suit filed by the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Tribal Council. The class action case, entitled Mashpee Tribe vs. New Seabury Corporation et al, claims that the tribe is legal owner of substantial portions of land in Mashpee and Sandwich. The Trustees of Reservations holds title to two conservation properties in Mashpee preserved for public enjoyment: 135-acre Lowell Holly Reservation received in 1942 as a bequest of A. Lawrence Lowell, former President of Harvard University, and Mashpee River Reservation, some 375 acres of land along the Mashpee River acquired in 1959 as a gift from John W. Farley.

On advice of its counsel, Hill & Barlow, The Trustees of Reservations is vigorously defending this suit and is represented as a member of the class of defendants by James D. St. Clair, Esq. of Hale & Dorr.

Mashpee River—Plan for Protection

Continuing efforts undertaken before the Wampanoag land dispute. The Trustees of Reservations helped lead the way to the initiation of comprehensive planning designed to preserve the environmental values of the Mashpee River corridor. Director Gordon Abbott, Jr. is a member of the Mashpee River Advisory Committee. Advisory Council member Marian F. Thornton, Deputy Director Garret F. VanWart and South Shore Management Unit Superintendent Thomas S. Foster are members of the Project's Technical Team. Mrs. Thornton spent many hours in Mashpee at the Office of the Assessors identifying the owners and listing assessed values of land along the river corridor, information vital to the project's success. Mr. VanWart has provided a detailed inventory of flora. Planning funds are being provided by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service as a part of a Recreation, Conservation and Development program. The Cape Cod Planning and Economic Development Commission is coordinating the planning process. Town of Mashpee resource committees are playing a leading role in the project as is the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife.

Duxbury Beach

In 1974, at the request of the Duxbury Beach Association, The Trustees of Reservations involved itself in a study related to the future administration and protection of Duxbury Beach, one of the Commonwealth's most outstanding coastal resources.

In early 1976, we were delighted to learn of the establishment of Duxbury Beach Reservation, Inc., a charitable corporation much like that recommended by the study committee of The Trustees of Reservations. Its governing board represents a wide variety of interests within the community, and we consider ourselves privileged to be represented as well by present Counsel and former President of The Trustees of Reservations Laurence M. Channing, Esq. (See section entitled Conservation Award for 1976.)

Program to Preserve the North River

Our program to preserve the environmental values of the North River also continues. In meetings throughout the year, The Trustees of Reservations has worked with the North and South Rivers Watershed Association, with the Old Colony Regional Planning Council and with Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture, which issued early in 1977 its excellent and comprehensive report entitled *The Tidal North River, Issues and Recommendations*. Director Gordon Abbott, Jr. met on nu-

merous occasions with Carl F. Steinitz, Professor of Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, and his students. Throughout the planning process The Trustees of Reservations, custodian of the 100-acre Albert F. Norris Reservation in Norwell with one-half mile of river frontage, has provided technical assistance related to the techniques of land preservation for residents of the North River corridor and to Conservation Commissions in the area.

Emily Dickinson House

At the request of Amherst College, we also became involved in efforts to plan a long-range preservation program for the Emily Dickinson House in Amherst. A national campaign with a goal of more than one million dollars is presently underway to restore the home of one of America's most beloved and distinguished poets and to endow its future preservation.

Olmsted House and Offices

Again in a continuing effort to preserve the house and offices of landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted in Brookline, including more than 150,000 original plans and drawings, we supported a bill filed in Congress which would enable the property to become a National Historic Site managed by the National Park Service.

Counseling About Land Conservation

Each day of the year, of course, we continue to answer questions and provide information to individuals, organizations and public agencies throughout Massachusetts and elsewhere about the techniques of land conservation. This involves not only telephone conversations and letters but travel to every corner of the Commonwealth. Some 30 properties were visited during the year.

Members of the Standing Committee and of the Advisory Council serve on Visiting Committees which journey from Berkshire County to Nantucket to meet with landowners and to see properties firsthand. This counseling is on the highest professional level and the demand for it understandably grows yearly. Our advice is also widely sought in connection with techniques related to the management and continuing protection of conservation lands.

MAPC 1976 Open Space Plan

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council's 1976 Regional Open Space Plan makes continuing reference to The Trustees of Reservations and the importance of its role as a private sector organization in the protection of open space in the metropolitan area. Nathan W. Bates of Cohasset, just retired as Coordinator of Reservations for The Trustees of Reservations, served as Chairman of the MAPC's Technical Advisory Committee on Open Space and Outdoor Recreation.

Reservations Committee

The Reservations Committee will begin work shortly on a program called for in the Report of the Future Policy Committee

(adopted by the Standing Committee in October, 1977) which will identify top priorities for acquisition or protection in two primary areas.

First, a list of those "inholdings" and adjoining properties whose protection is considered essential to preserve the features of existing reservations (and in this connection we continue to be most concerned about the land use patterns and activities surrounding Agassiz Rock in Manchester which threaten the destruction of its integrity as a natural area) and second, a list of new properties throughout the Commonwealth of unusual environmental significance or "museum quality" which should be preserved either by The Trustees of Reservations or by an agency or organization of similar purposes.

Landscape and Natural Areas Project

We hope also, working with the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, that we can revive and continue The Trustees of Reservations' *Landscape and Natural Areas Project* here in Massachusetts. The project's data, a computerized list of some 535 landscape and natural areas, is presently in the hands of the EOEA's Department of Environmental Management.

Relationship With Other Organizations

We continue to be grateful for our cordial and productive relationship with other independent conservation organizations throughout the Commonwealth, with the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and its Department of Environmental Management, its Division of Conservation Services, and its Division of Fisheries and Wildlife and with regional and national agencies such as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The Land Conservation Trust

Funded with a \$100,000 grant received from the Spaulding Potter Charitable Trust, The Land Conservation Trust provides a revolving fund for conservation purposes. The Standing Committee of The Trustees of Reservations established The Land Conservation Trust in 1973.

With the approval of its Trustees, it has helped numbers of conservation organizations acquire land and in one case an historic house, which today are preserved for cultural and environmental purposes. Director of The Trustees of Reservations Gordon Abbott, Jr. serves as Secretary of The Land Conservation Trust.

In 1976, The Trustees of Reservations purchased from The Land Conservation Trust some 35 acres of land in Ashley Falls known as Ashley Field to be added to Bartholomew's Cobble Reservation. The Land Conservation Trust also received a gift of land, some 65 acres of field and forest located in Ashley Falls, from Harry Kahn of New York City. The

Trustees of The Land Conservation Trust have expressed their thanks to Mr. Kahn for his generosity.

The Land Conservation Trust owns as well some nine acres of land in North Andover, a field and brook just south of Weir Hill Reservation.

Management and Protection

To provide professional management services and continuing protection for now 63 properties throughout the Commonwealth, The Trustees of Reservations divides its management structure into management regions and within these regions, management units, each in charge of a Superintendent or Refuge Manager.

In 1976, The Trustees of Reservations employed 31 full-time employees and a total of 167 full-time and part-time employees throughout the year. The corporation's annual operating expenses totaled \$774,269.

Visitation Figures

The use and enjoyment of our properties continue to grow annually. Recorded and estimated visitations for the year 1976 are listed below. Methods of reporting vary according to the reservation.

1976	1975
1,153	1,005
6,595	4,332
597	730
34,500	34,100
6,300	6,118
380,938	379,864
18,875	18,200
7,680	7,325
3,128	2,446
2,640	3,193
4,372	4,046
21,105	28,972
28,791	22,236
284	351
58,756	52,095
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^{*}Visitors recorded on weekends and holidays only #Summer season only, based upon an estimated average of 3.5 persons per car.

From these figures and others, it is estimated that in 1976 a total of some 638,876 persons visited the 63 open space and historic areas owned by The Trustees of Reservations. In 1976, because of increasing costs of operations, The Trustees of Reservations raised admission and other fees at a number of properties throughout the Commonwealth.

Master Plans

Master Plans and accompanying policies for each of our properties help provide for the delicate balance between public enjoyment and the preservation of each area's resource values.

To facilitate the completion of Master Plans for all of our properties, we have redesigned the outline form. It is now entitled Reservation Resources Inventory, Environmental Analysis and Description for Management Purposes, Standard Outline to be Followed for Field and Data Reports.

Chapelbrook Reservation

With increased use of Pony Mountain at Chapelbrook Reservation in Ashfield by rock climbers and the resulting deterioration in woodlands surrounding the base of the steep rock ledges, a Master Plan for the future use and preservation of the property became an urgent need.

The collection of data began in early 1976 under the direction of Andrew J.W. Scheffey, Professor of Landscape Architecture and City Planning at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and a member of the Standing Committee. Kathleen Wallace, a graduate student in the Department of Landscape Architecture at U. Mass, Amherst, was appointed chief of the master plan project. The plan, completed in early 1977, was reviewed by Standing Committee and Advisory Council members Paul Brooks, Roland B. Greeley and John T. Hemenway, members of the Committee on Management and Protection. It includes recommendations for the acquisition of inholdings. With Windsor Management Unit Superintendent Warren A. Drew, some 25 members of the University of Massachusetts Outing Club, all volunteers, have helped to restore trail surfaces

Crane Wildlife Refuge—Ipswich, Essex

At the Cornelius and Mine S. Crane Wildlife Refuge, Ipswich Management Unit, biologist Nancy Piatczyc, a graduate of Tufts University and Naturalist-historian for the property last summer, completed work with Refuge Manager Walter A. Prisby on the inventory phase and related graphics of the Master Plan for Crane Wildlife Refuge. Nancy and her husband David, son of Stockbridge Management Unit Superintendent Stanley I. Piatczyc and Mrs. Piatczyc, were married early in the year and spent the summer in the cottage at Hog Island. David served as Ranger for the Refuge.

Management of Historic Landscapes

We owe immense thanks to Advisory Council member Peter L. Hornbeck, Professor of Landscape Architecture and City Planning at Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture, and to his students for providing architectural data related to the landscape and the Great House and for his own contribution of detailed management directions for Castle Hill. The 45-page memorandum is entitled *Historic Landscape Preservation and Main-*

tenance, Policies and Procedures for the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation, Castle Hill. There is also an accompanying photo manual.

CETA Program

As it did in 1975, the CETA Program (Comprehensive Employment Training Act), which offers employment opportunities with municipalities and charitable organizations such as The Trustees of Reservations, has provided us with additional staff which has enabled us to accomplish scores of management projects and provide our properties with increased management attention. Their wages are paid by the Federal government. Last year in the Ipswich Management Unit (Cornelius and Mine S. Crane Wildlife Refuge), the Stockbridge Management Unit, Medfield Management Unit and the Andover-North Andover Management Unit, we employed more than 15 CETA workers. We were delighted to welcome one of them, Marcel L. LaJeunesse, at the Stevens-Coolidge Place in North Andover as a full-time employee in early 1977.

Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge

Work is also proceeding with the Master Plan for Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, now in the inventory stage. We are immensely grateful to James F. Lentowski, Executive Director of the Nantucket Conservation Foundation and Chairman of the Master Plan Study Committee and to all of its members. The Trustees of Reservations enjoys the happiest relationship with the Nantucket Conservation Foundation, cooperating in the management and protection of the Foundation's Coatue Wildlife Refuge and our own Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, some 810 acres, as well as the operation and administration of the Refuge Reception Station at Wauwinet. We are also grateful in this effort to the Wauwinet House and to the Wauwinet Landowners Association for their support and assistance.

Oil Spill off Nantucket

The Trustees of Reservations also serves as agent for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service providing management for its Nantucket National Wildlife Refuge at Great Point. In all, our management responsibilities include a total of more than 1,700 acres of beach, salt marsh and sand dunes and salt pond as well as some 12 miles of shoreline. We were thus vitally concerned with the grounding of the tanker Argo Merchant in December.

Shortly after the vessel went ashore and began to leak her 7.6 million gallons of oil into the Atlantic some 27 miles southeast of the island, Robert J. Marks, Jr., Refuge Manager of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge and now a Deputy Federal Game Warden volunteered as one of five coordinators of an emergency program designed to count and rescue, if possible, sea birds affected by what has been called the worst oil spill in U.S. history.

On Christmas day alone Refuge Manager Marks received 37 phone calls from people who had seen oiled birds. Assisting officials of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, coordinators worked round the clock for the next three weeks patrolling the more than 55 miles of Nantucket coastline as well as its Great Ponds. Oil soaked birds were brought to the airport where survivors were taken by plane for treatment at the Massachusetts Audubon Society's Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary at Martha's Vineyard. Bob Marks reported picking up some 150 of these birds, primarily loons, murres and auks, which dive for food in distant, off-shore waters. The Trustees of Reservations alerted Foster B. Silva of Edgartown, Martha's Vinevard, Superintendent of its Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, a total of some 630 acres of land at Chappaquiddick. Director Gordon Abbott, Jr. and Deputy Director Garret F. VanWart also met with members of the Response Recovery Team at Coast Guard Headquarters in Boston and with Secretary of Environmental Affairs Evelyn Murphy and David Standley, Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering.

A story about the oil spill which featured a photo of Refuge Manager Marks appeared in the January 10 Sports Illustrated.

Over-sand Vehicle Committee A Special Committee on Over-sand Vehicles was appointed in 1976 to relate to the use of and control of over-sand vehicles at coastal properties of The Trustees of Reservations, primarily at Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, Chappaquiddick, and Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket. Committee members Paul Brooks, Mrs. Robert G. Potter and Henry Lyman reviewed existing regulations and recommended no changes. The recommendation was supported by the Standing Committee. A special meeting was hosted by the OSV Committee at Martha's Vineyard in July to discuss with tackle shop owners and fishing club members, as well as with owners of beach front properties, the use and control of over-sand vehicles. The Special Committee on Over-sand Vehicles also visited Cape Cod National Seashore to meet with Dr. Paul A. Godfrey of the University of Massachusetts, Chief of the Cooperative Research Unit, National Park Service. Professor Godfrey is studying the impact of over-sand vehicles on the coastal environment.

Agricultural Use of Properties

It has long been a policy of The Trustees of Reservations to encourage agriculture at properties where this continues a traditional use and where it is consistent with the preservation of "their beautiful and historic" features. Cooperative agricultural programs exist today at Naumkeag, at the Bryant Homestead, at Bartholomew's Cobble, at Old Town Hill, at Tyring-

ham Cobble and at Charles River Peninsula, where pastures are grazed by milk cows or beef cattle and fields are planted with silage corn, timothy and rye. We were thus delighted when Benjamin A. Osgood of North Andover proposed use of pasture land and a portion of the barn at the Stevens-Coolidge Place for an agricultural program which included a small herd of registered polled Hereford cattle. What Mr. Osgood has done to restore fields and fences and portions of the barn has been extraordinary and we are most grateful. Its roof has been shingled, portions reconstructed, and the barn itself painted. (Tragically, only days after Superintendent Wayne N. Mitton and his staff had completed major repairs to the structure, fire of undetermined origin destroyed the barn in August.)

The white wood gates also, with all their detail, such a symbol of the Stevens-Coolidge Place, have been rebuilt and restored by the skilled hands of Equipment Supervisor Robert A. Kreger at General Maintenance Headquarters, Rocky Woods Reservation, Medfield.

We are also immensely grateful for an anonymous contribution of \$4,000 which enabled us to purchase a heavy duty Case tractor for the Andover-North Andover Management Unit. It will be used to maintain the landscape at Weir Hill and at the Ward Reservation as well.

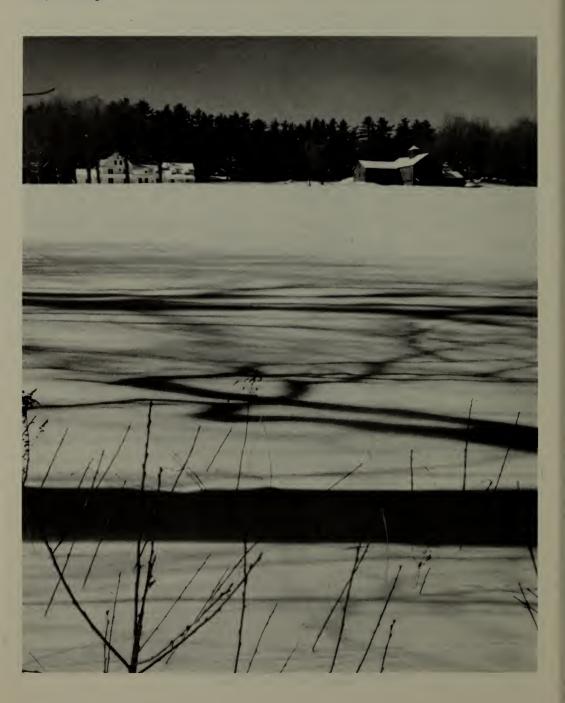
Cooperative Agreement in Medfield

In 1976, following discussions which began in 1975, we signed a cooperative agreement with the Town of Medfield (Conservation Commission) in connection with the management of approximately one square mile of woodland known as Noon Hill Reservation. The area, by agreement, includes property owned by the Hon. Elliot L. Richardson, Dr. Edward P. Richardson, Jr., and Dr. George S. Richardson. The management plan is designed to encourage passive recreation in keeping with the preservation of the woodlands of Noon Hill, Holt Pond and a portion of the Stop River.

Management Programs and Projects

At Mount Ann Park in Gloucester, because of a threat to public health (unauthorized swimming in nearby Dykes Pond, a municipal reservoir) and the destruction of the natural environment and scenic beauty of the Reservation itself with an overwhelming intensity of use, the City Council and The Trustees of Reservations reluctantly agreed that access to the property from the Rest Area at Route 128 should be closed permanently. Access to Mount Ann today is by way of New Way Lane off Route 133, as it was prior to the construction of Route 128 in 1947. Last winter, in cooperation with the City of Gloucester's Forestry Department, dead hemlocks killed by an infestation of hemlock looper some four years ago, were removed to encourage natural reproduction. White pine seedlings were also planted.

Winter embraces
Hampshire County
hillside where the seasons were once celebrated in verse—The William
Cullen Bryant Homestead, Cummington.



At Rocky Woods in Medfield, the number of skating days, 62, set a new record during one of the coldest winters in history and new emphasis has been placed on regional management in the Medfield Management Unit thanks to Superintendent Joel A. Udstuen. There is a cooperative agreement, mentioned earlier, with the Town of Medfield at Noon Hill and a harvest of mature white pine at the 255-acre Shattuck Reservation, carefully supervised by the New England Forestry Foundation, will release younger trees and provide for a diversity which will encourage wildlife including white-tailed deer and increase the amenity values of the forest.

Also in Medfield, we are presently engaged in discussions with the Town in connection with the proposed installation of a sewer interceptor for the Mid-Charles River water quality program which, as presently proposed, would cross a small portion of the northeastern boundary of *Medfield Rhododendrons Reservation*. We are obviously concerned about the impact of the sewer on the some 10 acres of native rhododendrons (*Rhododendron maximum*) as well as on the integrity of the remainder of the Reservation.

At Dinosaur Footprints Reservation in Holyoke, which protects tracks of the earlier known dinosaurs in Triassic time, some three years of planning and research have resulted in a change of access to the property and the establishment of a small parking facility, all made possible by the generosity of A.L. Amaral & Sons Construction Corporation of Ludlow during a partial reconstruction of this section of Route 5. The program also includes landscape improvements.

At Chesterfield Gorge, Windsor Management Unit Superintendent Warren A. Drew successfully administered a new individual admission fee (a fee was formerly charged for parking) and for reasons of safety, a regulation which prohibits swimming in the Gorge. Superintendent Drew and Deputy Director Garret F. VanWart help coordinate a cooperative management program in the area which benefits both its visitors and the preservation of its environment. Cooperating organizations are the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Indian Hollow Camping Area, Knightsville Dam), the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management (Westfield River Wilderness Area), the Town of Chesterfield (Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission) and The Trustees of Reservations (Chesterfield Gorge).

Superintendent Drew also continued restoration of the barn at the *Bryant Homestead* and provided plantings for the entrance at *Doane's Falls Reservation* in Royalston. The Standing Committee also approved plans to sell the long-shuttered and vacant farmhouse at *Notchview Reservation* in Windsor. It will be moved from the property.

At World's End, the program to restore and replace the trees which line the property's roadways, so vital a part of Frederick Law Olmsted's original landscape concept, continues, directed by South Shore Management Unit Superintendent Thomas S. Foster. Also at World's End, a problem of trespass necessitated legal action.

At the Cornelius and Mine S. Crane Wildlife Refuge, ice removed additional pilings at the Maintenance Area at Castle Neck, requiring the removal of the dock structure itself as well as its buildings. All of this is in keeping with long-term plans to simplify the area.

At Lowell Holly, delighted with the newly-established neighboring 253-acre Wakeby Holly Sanctuary and Recreation Area, a property of the Town of Sandwich, we worked with the community's Conservation Commission to devise a plan related to the use of a proposed dock facility so that it would have minimum impact on the natural charm and quiet character of this beautiful part of the world. This spring also, thanks to the efforts of the Local Committee for Lowell Holly Reservation, Warden Jerry Kelleher will administer new regulations which call for an admission fee for boats as well as for vehicles.

At Misery Islands Reservation in Salem Bay, our Carry On-Carry Off program administered by Superintendent David A. Ryan, a science teacher at Manchester High School, now beginning his eighth year with The Trustees of Reservations, has most successfully controlled the accumulation of litter at this island property. Landscape improvements have also markedly increased the aesthetic qualities of the area. Crowninshield Island in Marblehead is also a part of this portion of the Cape Ann Management Unit directed by Superintendent Ryan.

At *Brooks Woodland Preserve* in Petersham, student interns, directed by Chairman of the Local Committee John Fiske, continued the forest management program, pruning and releasing young trees. Our goal here in 1977 is a summer program for a student intern in forestry which will prepare a base map of the property, the property with its trails and forest types, and data which will be accumulated for a Master Plan.

It has also been agreed by the Standing Committee that neighboring North Common Meadow, a field whose preservation as open space is so important to the protection of the rural charm of Petersham, will be managed as a separate unit. Local Committee members for North Common Meadow are Mr. and Mrs. Hall J. Peterson and John M. Woolsey, Jr. Plans are being discussed which call for the meadow to become a wild flower garden.

At the Ward Reservation in North Andover, Superintendent Wayne N. Mitton and his staff have cleared a portion of Boston Hill to restore a magnificent view of the surrounding countryside. And the construction of a new water tower for the Town of Andover on town-owned land at Holt Hill has been all but completed. We agreed, for a fee, to allow the contractor to use our land for storage of fill. The area has now been restored. Funds received for the use of the property have been credited to the Ward Reservation.

At the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation in Ipswich, Superintendent Charles E. Coates, Jr. supervised the removal of more than a dozen dead elms and the installation of new fencing to further improve the entrance gateway at Crane Beach. Superintendent Coates also removed overgrowth from the trellis and began to reestablish a view of the Ipswich River at the Rose Garden at Castle Hill.

Restoration of Historic Properties

In Ashley Falls, more than \$6,500 generously contributed for the purpose by the *Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House* last year enabled us to replace an aged and leaking roof at the *Colonel Ashley House*. The project was directed by Stockbridge Management Unit Superintendent Stanley I. Piatczyc. It included the use of hand-split cedar shingles and wood gutters held by iron hangers. Research for the restoration was provided by Old Sturbridge Village. The Ashley House was originally constructed in 1735. It is included in the National Register of Historic Places.

At Naumkeag in Stockbridge, now also included in the National Register, further restoration continues. The pagoda which shelters a sacred rock from the summer palace at Peking was delicately and lovingly rebuilt and restored. And at Naumkeag itself, chimneys were capped, walls pointed and other masonry repaired.

At *The Old Manse* in Concord, which has gracefully and staunchly survived two bicentennial years, flooring was replaced in the kitchen wing and plans call for painting and additional repairs this spring, all to be completed by Maintenance Headquarters at Rocky Woods and personnel of the South Shore Management Unit.

Work also continued at the *Great House, Castle Hill*, where Superintendent Charles E. Coates, Jr. and his members of the staff have repaired woodwork and plumbing and have painted windows and walls.

Inspection of Conservation Restrictions

During the year we created a system for the administration and annual inspection of the boundaries of our now 35 conservation restrictions. A pioneer effort in the field, the memo and inspection form have been widely sought for purposes of information by both public and private conservation organizations and agencies.

Monument Mountain

At Monument Mountain in Great Barrington, despite our efforts and those of the Monument Mountain Regional School Board, which included an appeal to the Secretary of Environmental Affairs for a comprehensive environmental impact report, authorization was provided which allowed for the establishment of a sanitary landfill dump on land at the base of the mountain opposite the high school. We take some heart in the knowledge that our efforts helped to assure that regulations governing the landfill facility and thus its operation will be conducted in a manner sensitive to the surrounding environment and conscious of the charm and the character of the community of Great Barrington.

Bryant Mountain Radar Facility

Despite efforts of environmental interests in Cummington and The Trustees of Reservations to persuade the Federal Aeronautics Administration to locate a radar facility for air traffic control elsewhere, the FAA authorized its construction on Bryant Mountain. The structure is visible from Notchview. Its impact on this still largely farming community is yet to be measured.

Interpretation and Research

In December, Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Moffett of Tyringham completed more than a year at *Naumkeag* where, as volunteers, they catalogued the property's remarkable collection of furniture, paintings, books, manuscripts, textiles, carpets, glass, china and porcelain. Acquired by Ambassador and Mrs. Joseph Hodges Choate and their daughter, Miss Mabel Choate, it numbers some 3,877 objects in all.

All are now carefully labeled, photographed and identified on cards which are being reproduced to provide two catalogues, one at Naumkeag in Stockbridge, the other at General Headquarters in Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. Moffett's intensive research and painstaking efforts to describe the collection in accurate and vivid terms required hundreds of hours, all joyfully contributed. They came to the task not only with enthusiasm which survived the heat of summer and, at times, the bitter cold of winter when the only warmth at Naumkeag was a small electric heater, but also with an all but professional knowledge of the field of decorative arts.

The catalogue program was financed in part with a grant of \$4,500 from the National Endowment for the Arts in Washington, D.C. Its terms required a matching share from The Trustees of Reservations. This amount was successfully raised

from contributions in Berkshire County and Boston and included many from members of the *Seminarians*, a group of private collectors associated with Boston's Museum of Fine Arts which had visited Naumkeag in 1974. We're most grateful to the National Endowment for the Arts and to each of many contributors who helped make the program possible.

Our thanks go as well to all those who worked on the catalogue with Mr. and Mrs. Moffett: Projects Officer John C. Marksbury who secured NEA funding, Superintendent Stanley I. Piatczyc, Visiting Curator Charles E. Hammond, Project Assistant Gerard Chapman, Head Hostess Carol D. Patten and to each of the specialists who studied the collections.

Committee on Collections

What the Moffetts' extraordinary efforts have also done is to launch us on a long-sought program designed to provide inventories for all of our historic houses: The Mission House, Naumkeag, the Bryant Homestead, The Old Manse, the Stevens-Coolidge Place and the Colonel John Ashley House.

This, as do our inventories of our properties' *natural* values, will lead to new planning for the protection and preservation of our collections, as well as enabling us better to interpret them for our own staff and thus, ultimately, for visitors.

With this in mind, we established a Committee on Collections whose initial task is to provide preliminary planning for a long-range curatorial program.

The program will include architectural analyses and studies of our structures and involve archaeological information, relating to early industry (mill sites) as well as to prehistoric sites.

We have remarkable collections at most of our historic houses. An excellent inventory of the carpets at the Stevens-Coolidge Place was completed in 1976 by Standing Committee member Peter L. Hornbeck. We're most grateful to him.

Tenth Naumkeag Lecture

Some 125 persons filled the Carriage House at Naumkeag on Wednesday, July 21 to hear Sarah B. Sherrill discuss *Oriental Carpets in Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century America*. Miss Sherrill, Associate Editor of the magazine *Antiques*, illustrated her lecture with colored slides.

Naumkeag's own treasured collection of Oriental carpets was a star of the show. Miss Sherrill's lecture provided new evidence about types of carpets \$nd how they were used in Colonial households and she told how sources such as early portraits and diaries show that Oriental carpets were rare in early houses and most likely decorated a table or bed and not the floor.

As Naumkeag's tenth annual lecturer, Miss Sherrill joins a company of speakers widely distinguished for their knowledge

and achievements. Her own biography, as it appeared in the invitation to the lecture, is no exception.

"As Associate Editor of the magazine Antiques, Sarah B. Sherrill some years ago assigned herself to report on an exhibit sponsored by the New York Rug Society. It began a fascination with Oriental carpets and an involvement in rug scholarship which has made her today a widely respected specialist in the field.

"A graduate of Smith College, Miss Sherrill started serious study of decorative and fine arts during her junior year in Paris. She continued on the graduate level with courses in American and European furniture, silver and ceramics given jointly by Columbia University and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. She also attended a summer program at the Henry Francis duPont Winterthur Museum in Wilmington, Delaware.

"She has been an editor of *Antiques* since 1967 and presently is the author as well of its regular monthly column of news and comment, entitled *Current and Coming*.

"As a scholar in the field of Oriental rugs and carpets, Miss Sherrill has traveled extensively in the Middle East since 1964, primarily in Turkey and Iran. She has visited museums and viewed private collections. She has observed rug weaving in remote villages and with nomadic tribes. Her study has extended as well to Oriental rugs in European, English and American museums and in private collections. It includes two graduate courses in Oriental rugs, one at Columbia University with Dr. Maurice S. Dimand, Curator Emeritus of Islamic Art at the Metropolitan Museum, the other at the Institute of Fine Arts at New York University with Dr. Richard Ettinghausen, present Chairman of the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Department of Islamic Art.

"A member of the New York Rug Society and the Hajii Baba Club of New York, Miss Sherrill is continuing her study of Turkish and Persian languages as well as the technical subjects of rug weaving and dyeing in America, Europe and the Middle East."

Tern Nesting Study

At the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation in Ipswich, Robert C. Tibbetts completed his seventh and final year of a study of nesting terns at Castle Neck, Crane Beach.

A teacher at Saugus High School, he has contributed countless hours of his time annually to protecting colonies of nesting least and common terns, counting eggs and fledglings and providing a record of nesting successes. In 1970, he initiated the tern management program at the Crane Reservation. We are enormously grateful for all of his interest and patient dedication through the years. His report of last summer's activities, unfortunately, is not as cheerful as in past years.

Winter storms changed sections of the beach previously used for nesting, forcing birds to an area closer to human activity. Mr. Tibbetts' investigations determined that least tern colonies in both Area I and II of the beach produced no young, which may be attributable to the relocation of the nesting site as well as to animal predation. There were three pairs of common terns which successfully raised seven chicks. The report also notes that there were fewer terns on the property, although the last two years produced larger numbers of fledged birds.

In 1977, contributions will make possible a new and more comprehensive program to protect and study nesting terns at the Crane Reservation in Ipswich, at Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, Chappaquiddick and at Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket.

Professional biologists will conduct studies of nesting successes and a special folder entitled *Nesting Terns Need Your Help* will be available which will describe our programs to protect terns and ask every visitor's cooperation.

Diversity of a Wetland Meadow At World's End, thanks to volunteer research by A. Dix Leeson, Jr., a graduate of Yale University's School of Forestry and Environmental Sciences, former Resource Planner at the Metropolitan District Commission and now New England Field Representative for The Nature Conservancy, and John F. Tinker, also a graduate of Yale's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and a teacher of natural science at Hingham High School, Superintendent of the South Shore Management Unit Thomas S. Foster has proposed an environmentally sensitive program to control the common reed, *Phragmites communis*. The growth of *Phragmites*, perhaps the most cosmopolitan of grasses, is threatening to destroy the diversity of the Damde Meddowes, a 17-acre wetland meadow. We are most grateful to Mr. Leeson and to Mr. Tinker for their help with this important program.

History of the Stevens-Coolidge Place

We were most privileged in 1976 to be presented with a short history of the Stevens-Coolidge Place in North Andover written by Dr. Walter Muir Whitehill, one of the nation's most distinguished scholars and historians and the retired Director and Librarian of the Boston Athenaeum.

Dr. Whitehill, a resident of North Andover for many years and a member of the Local Committee for the Stevens-Coolidge Place, is the author of a wide and fascinating variety of books and papers whose subjects range from Palladian architecture to U.S. Naval history. He is also a trustee or board member of many cultural institutions of national and international reputation. We are most grateful for his help. We hope to publish the history of the Stevens-Coolidge Place as soon as funds can be found.

Natural History Publications

At Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, progress continues toward the publication of a booklet which will describe the natural history of the area as well as the story of its settlement and use by man. The text has been wonderfully written by W. Gray Mattern with research and original manuscript provided by Susan B. Whiting. The booklet will be dedicated to the memory of Gordon Getsinger, Jr. Special memorial gifts will help fund the booklet's publication.

At World's End, a grant from Vingo Trust will help publish an interpretive trail booklet for Damde Meddowes, a 17-acre wet meadow which provides habitat for a variety of plant and bird life. The trail boardwalk was constructed last year.

Entitled Damde Meddowes Interpretive Trail Guide, the booklet's text, prepared by Deputy Director Garret F. VanWart, follows the successful format established by other guides now available at three of our Reservations. Data for a short history of Doane's Falls is also being collected.

Accessions

At the Bryant Homestead we owe great thanks to Faith Goddard Cole for her gift of a marble bust of William Cullen Bryant by sculptor Launt Thompson. Mrs. Cole is the poet's great-great granddaughter. An American sculptor, Thompson was born in Ireland in 1833. He came to the United States in 1847 and settled in Albany, New York. He studied with sculptor E.D. Palmer and in 1857 opened a studio in New York City. He spent many years of his life in Italy and died in 1894. Among his better known works are "Napoleon the First" at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; "Abraham Pierson", first President of Yale University, New Haven, and military statues in Washington, D.C. and at West Point, New York.

In 1976, Miss Evelyn Hardy of Liphook, Hampshire, England, a direct descendant of Colonel John Ashley, gave the Ashley House a 1740 day bed and coverlet in blue and white linen both of which were originally in the house with Colonel Ashley and later found their way with the Ashley family, first to Westfield, Massachusetts and thence to England. Fourteen leather-bound books, some published in the late 18th century, others in the early 19th, including a copy of the Iliad of Homer translated by Alexander Pope and published in 1813, were also a part of the gift. We're most grateful to Miss Hardy for her generosity and to Gelston Hardy, Miss Hardy's brother, for a pair of Queen Anne

chairs, also from the Ashley family collection. Mr. Hardy is chairman of the House Committee for the Colonel John Ashley House.

Administration and General

Thanks to a new line-item budget and the efforts of every member of the administrative staff, but most particularly to the continuing concern of our Superintendents and Refuge Managers, The Trustees of Reservations ended the 1975-76 fiscal year with a Gain of \$1,690. This contrasted with the previous year's Loss of \$54,703.

With a change to a calendar fiscal year in 1977 (in place of the previous November 1 to October 31 fiscal year) we are continuing our line-item budget with detailed quarterly reports and quarterly reviews by the Budget Review Committee. Our budgeting process involves every Superintendent and Refuge Manager who travel to General Headquarters to spend a full day reviewing their final budget recommendations for properties in their management units.

Also in 1976, the Pension Plan of The Trustees of Reservations was amended to conform with the requirements of the Employee Retirement Income and Security Act. It has been reviewed by the Pension Committee and is scheduled to be presented to the Standing Committee for its approval in 1977.

The Insurance Review Committee also met during 1976 as it does bi-annually to review our insurance policies. Its recommendations were adopted by the Standing Committee.

Annual Meeting

With a change to a calendar (January 1 to December 31) fiscal year, the Standing Committee also agreed that the date of the Annual Meeting of the corporation should be changed as well to a time in the spring which Trustees or corporators might find more convenient to attend than in January, the traditional month for so many years.

The Standing Committee scheduled the Annual Meeting for Wednesday, May 11 in Milton with refreshments to be offered afterwards at the Pierce House, General Headquarters of The Trustees of Reservations at the top of Milton Hill.

August Meeting in Petersham

Continuing their August tours of properties throughout the Commonwealth, members of the Standing Committee met in Petersham in August, 1976, visiting Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham; Doane's Falls, Royalston; Jacob Hill, Royalston, where efforts are continuing to preserve the high ridge north of Doane's Falls and Lawrence Brook east of Long Pond; the Bear's Den, North New Salem, and Elliott Laurel Reservation, Phillipston. Some 30 persons took part in

Porcupines at Notchview Reservation,
Windsor, appropriately
add trail sign to their
diet.



the tour. The meeting itself followed a picnic luncheon at Mr. and Mrs. John M. Woolsey, Jr.'s in Petersham. John Fiske, Chairman of the Local Committee, led the tour of Brooks Woodland Preserve. At the end of what was a delightful day, we also visited the Fisher Museum, Harvard Forest.

Future Policy Committee

After 20 meetings and more than a year and a half of deliberation and discussion, members of the Future Policy Committee submitted their report to the Standing Committee in early 1977.

Detailed and comprehensive, its reviews and recommendations cover every area of our responsibilities and are sure to have broad influence on our directions in the years ahead.

Committee members Theodore Chase, Chairman, H. Gilman Nichols, Charles W. Eliot, II, Arthur M. Jones, Roland B. Greeley, Richard L. Frothingham and Thomas L.P. O'Donnell deserve enormous thanks for their dedicated interest and concern for the future of The Trustees of Reservations. It has been a pleasure and a privilege for the Director to serve as a member of the committee as well. Special words of thanks must go to Professor Charles W. Eliot, II who with the Chairman and the Director also serves as member of the FPC's editorial sub-committee, and to Chairman Theodore Chase.

Professor Eliot's constant concern for our charter purposes, his immense knowledge of our history, and his meticulous attention to detail were an inspiration to us all. As Chairman, Mr. Chase's abilities to stimulate and inspire, to summarize and, when necessary, direct conversations and conclusions won admiration from every member of the committee.

Special Committees

Many of the recommendations of the Future Policy Report call for action by the special committees of The Trustees of Reservations: the Reservations Committee, the Committee on Management and Protection, the Committee on Collections, the Committee on Interpretive Programs and the Committee on Membership and Gifts.

We look forward to working with each of them in the months to come, reviewing their areas of responsibility, studying the opportunities which lie ahead and proposing recommendations which will largely determine our future accomplishments.

Membership and Gifts

Gifts to the General Fund and Friends organizations for the calendar year 1976 show a \$25,063 increase over giving at the same date a year ago. The primary reason for the increase is the success of the year-end appeal to leadership contributors

to the General Fund. Some \$27,443.09 from 176 contributors was received in December, as a result of the special mailing. Below is a comparison of annual giving for the calendar years 1975 and 1976. The Audit Report contains a summary of all gifts, grants and bequests for the 1975-1976 Fiscal Year.

	1976	1975	Increase (Decrease)
General Fund	\$ 65,703	\$48,719	\$16,984
Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and Colonel John Ashley House	13,746	12,069	1,677
Friends of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation	10,883	10,406	477
Friends of Misery Islands Reservation	3,529	4,911	(1,382)
Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge	7,307	_	7,307
Total	\$101,168	\$76,105	\$25,063

Campaign to Restore Choate House

A special campaign for funds to repair the Choate House at Hog Island in Essex is underway. The house, home of one of the nation's most distinguished families and a landscape feature of the Cornelius and Mine S. Crane Wildlife Refuge, is in danger of collapse unless repairs are made shortly.

In August, an emergency campaign was organized with a preliminary goal of \$25,000. More than \$18,516 in gifts and pledges has been raised to date. Constructed between 1725 and 1740 and restored in 1919, the Choate House occupies its original site facing Essex Bay where its dark clapboards and close-paned windows stand out against the sloping fields which lead to the tidal waters of the Essex River.

Two New Friends Organizations

The Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket Island, and the Friends of World's End Reservation and Whitney & Thayer Woods, Hingham and Cohasset, newly established in 1976, raise the total of Friends organizations now to five. Each is designed to create a wider understanding of the property served by the Friends and, through membership, enable residents of surrounding communities to support programs for the property's continuing protection. Membership contributions are assigned directly to the property. Each Friend receives all regularly issued publications of The Trustees of Reservations.

We're delighted to welcome as Officers those listed below. Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge: John V. Jamison, 3rd, Wauwinet, Chairman; Mrs. William D. Howe, Nan-

tucket, Vice Chairman; and Mrs. Arthur W. Orleans, Monomoy, Secretary-Treasurer.

Friends of World's End and Whitney & Thayer Woods: Henry W. Stokes, Hingham, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Cowen, 2nd, Cohasset, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Philip Lehner, Hingham, Vice Chairman; Charles A. Pearce, Hingham, Treasurer; and committee members Edward B. Long, Cohasset; Mrs. Paul C. Reardon, Hingham, and Mrs. Humphrey H. Swift, Hingham.

Misery Islands Album

In June, 1976, an exhibition entitled Misery Islands Album opened at the Peabody Museum in Salem. The exhibit, sponsored by the Friends of Misery Islands Reservation, presented a photographic history of the property and included a glimpse of the cottage years, golfing at Great Misery, the elegance of the Misery Islands Casino, the story of the sea plane hangar on the north shore of the island and the remains of the steamer, City of Rockland, as well as the Islands' present program in conservation directed by The Trustees of Reservations.

The exhibit was one of the most successful in the history of the museum. We are most grateful to the museum staff for arranging the exhibit and to many residents of the area who contributed photographs and other mementos of the Islands' history. The exhibition committee included Mrs. Raymond W. St. Pierre, Chairman, Mrs. U. Haskell Crocker and Mrs. William C. Brewer, Jr.

New Slide Presentation

A new slide presentation entitled *The Trustees of Reservations, A Museum of the Massachusetts Landscape*, was presented to some 60 persons at Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Guild, Jr.'s in Dover in May and to some 30 persons attending a dinner in June given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Stoddard in Worcester. Mr. Guild is Secretary of The Trustees of Reservations. Mrs. Stoddard is a Trustee (Member of the Corporation). We're most grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Guild and to Mr. and Mrs. Stoddard for their hospitality.

Field Day at Bartholomew's Cobble

Strolling minstrels, hay cart rides, hand-made ice cream, demonstrations of musket loading and firing, loom weaving, Colonial Tea Punch, a Bicentennial patchwork quilt, collections of household and farm items used in Colonial days and more than 300 persons helped to celebrate the second annual Bartholomew's Cobble and Colonel John Ashley House Field Day in June.

Conservation Award—1976

Frederick T. Pratt of Boston received The Trustees of Reservations' Conservation Award for 1976 at a Field Day at Rocky Woods Reservation in Medfield on Sunday, October 17. The day's events included a canoe trip on the Charles River, visits to other properties in the Medfield Management Unit and tours of Rocky Woods.

The award was presented to Mr. Pratt by President Charles E. Mason, Jr. for his dedication over many years to the preservation of Duxbury Beach.

The citation honoring Mr. Pratt reads as follows: "Duxbury Beach is one of the Commonwealth's most outstanding coastal resources.

"Stretching for more than four miles from Marshfield and Back River on the north to Gurnet Point on the south, its low dunes form a natural barrier of sand between the ocean and the sheltered waters of Duxbury Bay. In summer, shorebirds feed on its tidal flats and stripers and blues run along the outer beach. In winter, sea ducks flock outside the surf lines and in late fall, on the bay side, black duck and Canada geese seek shelter in the coves.

"And, of course, throughout the year, the beach provides countless hours of enjoyment for thousands of bathers and beachcombers, strollers and sun worshipers, birdwatchers and surf and flounder fishermen.

"There is perhaps no one person as responsible for the preservation of Duxbury Beach and its availability today as a recreation resource as Frederick T. Pratt, for more than 30 years, Secretary, Treasurer and Managing Trustee of the Duxbury Beach Association, owner of this remarkable, some 600-acre property.

"Duxbury Beach is and always has been privately owned. Purchased by the Duxbury Beach Association in 1919, its administrative policies have managed to serve both the residents of the Town of Duxbury and the citizens of the Commonwealth in general, walking the delicate tightrope between conservation and recreation with agility and grace.

"Management of the property has been a Pratt family affair—an affair of the heart, always without compensation. A summer resident of Duxbury throughout his youth, devoted to the community and to the beach, Frederick Pratt gradually assumed the reins, succeeding his father as Managing Trustee in 1950. An expert in finance (he is presently Vice President and Director of the Woodstock Corporation), he was perfectly suited for the task, which in recent years, with the growth of visitor use of the beach, has consumed one-third his time.

"Part of the balancing act, so ably performed, involves the Association's relationship with the Town of Duxbury. This has been productive and harmonious and based upon a mutual respect and desire to achieve the same goals: primarily to preserve the natural environment of the beach, so vital to the

character and charm of the community and indeed to its very existence.

"Because of these environmental concerns in 1973, Duxbury voters, in a unique move, authorized the expenditure of public funds to provide for the appointment of a Beach Conservation Officer and for the establishment of a program of sand dune stabilization and erosion control.

"With the Town of Duxbury as its ally, the Association, led by Mr. Pratt, has also on three occasions in the past nearly four decades, in a quiet and effective way, helped convince the Commonwealth that a taking by eminent domain is not in the public interest and that Duxbury Beach serves its purpose well as it is, a fact supported by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council in its just-issued 1976 Regional Open Space Plan.

"But despite the spryness of his step (he still cruises in Maine and skis in New Hampshire with youthful regularity), it seemed time last year, with fourscore years on the horizon, to transfer the growing responsibilities of beach management.

"He thus proposed and had created Duxbury Beach Reservation, Inc. and with the support of other shareholders of the trust, transferred its shares to the new, not-for-profit corporation. Its directors are broadly representative of the town itself and include members of its Conservation Commission, its historical society and the Commonwealth's two leading conservation organizations—The Trustees of Reservations and the Massachusetts Audubon Society.

"For his selfless dedication over many years to the preservation of this remarkable natural resource; for the countless hours he has given to its administration which have enabled hundreds of thousands of persons to enjoy its pleasures; and for his and his family's extraordinary and generous action which has provided for the transfer of the property to this new, charitable corporation, The Trustees of Reservations is honored to present its annual Conservation Award this year to Frederick T. Pratt."

Committees and Staff

Nathan W. Bates, Coordinator of Reservations, retired in March, 1976, after 26 years with The Trustees of Reservations. Mr. Bates joined the organization in 1949 as Assistant to Secretary Laurence B. Fletcher and for two decades was primarily responsible for the management of its lands and buildings.

A lifelong resident of Cohasset, Mr. Bates is a former member of the community's Planning Board, its School Committee and Shade Tree Committee as well as a present member of its

Zoning Board of Appeals. He is also Chairman of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council's Technical Advisory Committee on Open Space and Outdoor Recreation.

At a special luncheon honoring his retirement, former President Laurence M. Channing congratulated him for his "distinguished record of achievement and dedication to the purposes and ideals of the organization." Mr. Bates was presented with an original manuscript of a William Cullen Bryant sonnet entitled "The Past" and a first edition of Bryant's works which includes the poem. We congratulate Mr. Bates upon his retirement and wish him affectionately good fortune for the future.

Secretarial-Publications

Mrs. Marjorie Vogel Emanuel, formerly Secretarial-Publications, welcomed the birth of son, Joseph, in March, 1977. Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel.

We are delighted that Mrs. Velta L. Freimanis could join us in January, 1977. Mrs. Freimanis served in the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs at The Beaver Country Day School. Her responsibilities with us will include Secretarial-Publications and we look forward immensely to working with her in the years ahead.

Tragedy at Lowell Holly Reservation

Russell E. Marsh of Cohasset, a full-time member of the maintenance staff of The Trustees of Reservations, died at Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis on Monday, May 31, 1976, following an accident at Lowell Holly Reservation six days earlier.

He was struck on the head by a tree while felling it. The death certificate signed by Dr. Arthur I. Bickford of East Dennis, Massachusetts, listed the cause of death as "Intracerebral hemorrhage due to head injury. Death due to accident at work."

Mr. Marsh had been employed by The Trustees of Reservations since April, 1967, assigned to the Southeast Management Unit.

Funeral services for Mr. Marsh took place on Thursday, June 3. They were attended by fellow employees from Stockbridge, Windsor, Ipswich, Medfield and North Andover as well as General Headquarters.

Saddened by the tragedy, the Standing Committee voted to send its deepest sympathies to Mr. Marsh's family. His brother, Herbert B. Marsh, is also employed by The Trustees of Reservations.

We remember Mr. Marsh with warmth as one who loved the out-of-doors and who knew its plants and animals and felt

comfort among them. He was full of skills and knowledge which come from a lifetime of association with the country and a country community, skills too much lacking in our urban society. We will miss him immensely.

General Headquarters

As always, we are grateful for the energies, good humor, dedication and high professional standards of the members of the staff at General Headquarters: Deputy Director Garret F. VanWart, Projects Officer John C. Marksbury, Controller C. Charles Tacito, Bookkeeper Mrs. Priscilla E. Gardner, Mrs. Marion R. Lynch, Membership, and Mrs. Velta L. Freimanis and Mrs. Phyllis H. Stevens, Secretarial-Publications-Records.

Mr. VanWart serves as an associate member of the Scituate Conservation Commission, as a Trustee of the South Shore Natural Science Center, as a member of the Advisory Council of Wompatuck State Park in Hingham and as a member of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management's Forest Program Review Board.

Mr. Marksbury is Secretary of the Massachusetts Conservation Council, a statewide coalition of conservation organizations founded in 1939. The Trustees of Reservations is a charter member. The Conservation Council meets monthly to discuss current concerns and issues related to the environment.

Director Gordon Abbott, Jr. is a Governor of The Nature Conservancy of Massachusetts, a member of the Harbor Committee in Manchester, a Trustee of Manomet Bird Observatory, a Trustee of Mount Auburn Cemetery, a member of the Open Space Advisory Committee of the Commonwealth's Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and an Honorary Trustee, Royal Oak Foundation.

Dedicated Field Staff

The continuing protection of our properties and their enjoyment by now hundreds of thousands of persons each year would in a very real way never be possible without the loyalty, dedication and remarkable abilities of our Superintendents and Refuge Managers and their full-time staff members. Their names appear in the Directory listed by management region and management unit. We are proud of each of them and deeply grateful to them all.

During the year, Assistant Superintendent of the Windsor Management Unit David A. Allessio (The Bryant Homestead) and maintenance employee Armand G. Berube (Stevens-Coolidge Place) left our employment to further their educations, and maintenance employee Dennis C. McGrevy (Naumkeag) re-enlisted in the U.S. Air Corps. We wish them the best of everything in the years ahead.

In their places we welcomed Marcel L. LaJeunesse (Stevens-Coolidge Place), Bruce W. Harrison (The Bryant Homestead) and Steven C. Kopka (Naumkeag).

Annual Meeting of Superintendents

It has been a pleasant and informative tradition of The Trustees of Reservations that the annual two-day meeting of its Superintendents be scheduled at different properties throughout the Commonwealth. In 1976, the Administrative Staff at General Headquarters and our Superintendents and Refuge Managers met at Nantucket. Our host was Robert J. Marks, Jr., Refuge Manager of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge. Housing, two cottages at Polpis, was generously provided by Richard Corkish, Jr. Most of each day was spent in useful discussion and review of management responsibilities and programs. There was also a delightful dinner for members of the Local Committee, and the two days included time to tour the island and to see its resources firsthand. For their hospitality and for their help in organizing the event, we're immensely grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Marks.

Castle Hill Foundation

In 1976, following the retirement of Mrs. Charlotte E. Terry, the Castle Hill Foundation welcomed a new General Manager, Mrs. Christa E. MacDonald of Newport, Rhode Island. Mrs. MacDonald, active with the Newport Historical Society, was Function Manager of the city's Sheraton-Islander Hotel.

Her administration of the Castle Hill Foundation during her first year was enthusiastic and imaginative and the performance of the Foundation reached new levels of professional achievement. We have great hope that its activities will yield funds which will enable us to make repairs urgently needed to preserve the Great House and its surrounding landscape.

We owe great thanks to Mrs. MacDonald and to members of the Board of Governors who gave many hours of their time to the Foundation and to the direction of the Castle Hill Concert Series

The Executive Committee of the Castle Hill Foundation also designed and implemented a new bookkeeping and financial reporting system in 1976 which reflects operations in detail and provides for monthly reports.

Local Committees

A vital part of The Trustees of Reservations is its now 46 Local Committees. Their chairmen and their members play a crucial role in the management and protection of their properties.

Many have expert skills in the area of the environment, conservation and historic preservation which are invaluable and on countless occasions throughout the year they have lightened the burdens of the staff, the Administration and the Standing Committee itself with their time, talent and good ad-

vice, given with enthusiasm and a genuine dedication to our purposes. We are most grateful to them all.

Sadly we must report the death in April of Winthrop W. Sargent, Chairman of the Local Committee for *The Old Manse*. Mr. Sargent became Chairman in 1973 upon the retirement of now Chairman Emeritus Carl Ward. A retired business executive, a graduate of Harvard and the Harvard Business School, he mixed a love of history with a wonderfully practical point of view to help administer the property. We shall miss him immensely.

Rear Admiral Andrew R. Mack, USN (Ret.), retired in 1976 as Chairman of the Local Committee for *The Mission House*. As its nearest neighbor, he kept an affectionate eye on The Mission House for many years providing guidance for its administration and, on occasion, helping with whatever hand tools were necessary to keep the property in shipshape condition.

(While this report was in production, we were informed of the death of Admiral Mack in Stockbridge in June. Our deepest sympathies go to Mrs. Mack, his widow and a long-time friend of The Mission House, and to Admiral Mack's family.)

We also sadly report the deaths of two members of Local Committees: John H. Storer, Bartholomew's Cobble Reservation, and Everett W. Gammons, Whitney & Thayer Woods. Mr. Storer, a nationally known environmentalist, was the author of, among other books, the Web of Life and Man and the Web of Life. Mr. Gammons, a former President of the Provident Institution for Savings, had served as a member of the Local Committee for Whitney & Thayer Woods since 1957.

William B. Rogers of Dover, one of three donors of the Tisbury Pond Club, West Tisbury, Martha's Vineyard, also died in 1976. He was a great gentleman and a great sportsman and we shall miss him.

Fourteen Join Local Committees

We were delighted with the appointment in June, 1976 of Edward Reynolds, Jr. of Monument Street, Concord, a near neighbor of *The Old Manse*, as Acting Chairman of the Local Committee. We were also delighted to welcome the following as new members of Local Committees: at *Bartholomew's Cobble*, Gerard Chapman, George Kiefer and James N. Parrish; at the *Bryant Homestead*, Mrs. Faith Goddard Cole; at *Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation*, Arnold W. Spofford; at the *Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation*, Vladislav Kasarda; at *Lowell Holly Reservation and Mashpee River Reservation*, Frank E. Hicks; at *Naumkeag and The Mission House*, Mrs. Arthur E. Crane, Mrs. Stephen B. Hibbard and Mrs. Clement M. Ogden; at *Old Town Hill*,

H. Verne Noyes, 3d; and at *Rocky Woods*, Robert D. Bond and George A. Lovell.

Sub-Committees for Cape Poge, Wasque

At Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, in view of an increasing diversity of activities and interests, Chairman Oliver D. Filley, Jr. appointed a series of subcommittees of the Local Committee for Cape Poge and Wasque, each charged with a special responsibility.

They include a Sub-Committee on Land Acquisition and Protection, Chairman Leland S. Brown; a Sub-Committee on Natural Resources and Interpretation, Chairman Mrs. David S. Plumb; and the *Friends of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation*, Co-Chairmen Mrs. John G. Tyler and Arnold W. Spofford.

President Retires

The name of Charles E. Mason, Jr. has been all but synonymous with the achievements and successes of The Trustees of Reservations for the past three decades.

He has served as Chairman of the Standing Committee and for the past six years as President of the organization. With a handful of others, he led the way to campaigns to preserve World's End in Hingham and Wasque Reservation at Chappaquiddick. And his warmth and charm have won him, and with him The Trustees of Reservations, countless numbers of friends and admirers from Edgartown to Stockbridge. Always ready to give his time, he has hiked forest trails and ocean beaches in fair weather and foul to inspect properties proposed for preservation. And as a member of the Executive Committee and of the Standing Committee he has been a tower of strength for us all. This year, after six years, he retires as President. Thankfully he will remain a member of the Advisory Council and Chairman of the Committee on Membership & Gifts where he hopefully will be as active as ever.

Two Join Advisory Council

Also joining the Advisory Council this year are Standing Committee members Peter L. Hornbeck and John W. Kimball. Professor of Landscape Architecture and City Planning at Harvard University's School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture, Peter Hornbeck has contributed countless hours of his time to provide priceless professional advice and direction. He was project chief for our first Master Plan at the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation. He designed and directed the restoration and simplification of the gardens and grounds at the Stevens-Coolidge Place, and he is presently engaged in contributing a wealth of professional material and data connected with the Master Plan for the continuing preservation and maintenance of Castle Hill, its structures and its landscape.

A biologist, a distinguished author of nationally known high school and college texts in his field, an Assistant Professor of Biology at Tufts University, John Kimball mixes marvelously the academic world with day-to-day management concerns for the Charles W. Ward Reservation in Andover and North Andover. As Chairman of its Local Committee, he is involved with everything from the security of the property to the use of its Pine Hole Bog Interpretive Trail which he designed and built. His leadership in the campaign to protect and enlarge the Reservation also set a new record for achievement.

Standing Committee Chairman At its meeting in February 1976, Theodore Chase, Esq. of Dover was elected Chairman of the 14-member Standing Committee, the governing board of The Trustees of Reservations. Mr. Chase was first elected to the Standing Committee in 1969 and is currently Chairman of the Future Policy Committee. A distinguished attorney, he is a partner of Palmer & Dodge and a former President of the Boston Bar Association.

With his leadership it has been an exciting year filled with accomplishments and promises of great challenges to come.

New Officers

At the Annual Meeting in January, 1977, new officers of The Trustees of Reservations were elected, led by President John M. Woolsey, Jr. Former Vice President, former Chairman of the Standing Committee, Mr. Woolsey is a partner of Herrick, Smith, Donald, Farley & Ketchum. He is also a member of the Cambridge Planning Board and was honored in 1975 by the Massachusetts Conservation Council for his efforts over many years which resulted in the preservation of Doane's Falls.

For the first time, we welcome three Vice Presidents: David C. Crockett, Deputy to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and to the Director General of the Massachusetts General Hospital and Honorary President of the Castle Hill Foundation; Augustus P. Loring of Loring & Wolcott, Trustees, former Chairman of the Standing Committee and President of the Peabody Museum in Salem, and Mrs. William C. Wigglesworth, Director of the Office of Development and Alumnae Affairs, Radcliffe College, a former Trustee of Shore Country Day School and former Chairman of the Conservation Committee of the Ipswich Garden Club. We are honored by and delighted with their election.

Standing Committee, Advisory Council

Also at the January, 1977 Annual Meeting, members of the corporation elected two new members of the Standing Committee and wisely increased the number of members of the Advisory Council which now not only offers former Standing Committee members a chance to remain involved at the policy level, but extends the opportunity to a number of Trustees or

corporators as well who are interested in the aims and activities of The Trustees of Reservations.

The names of new Standing Committee members and members of the Advisory Council are listed below with a brief biographical profile of each. Again, we're delighted to have them with us and we look forward to working with them in the years that lie ahead.

Jane C. (Mrs. John M.) Bradley of Manchester. Standing Committee; Member of the Corporation (Trustee), The Trustees of Reservations, 1977-present; member, Board of Trustees, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Chairman, Council for the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Director, Fiduciary Trust Company; Director, Associated Harvard Alumni; former Chairman, Conservation Committee, North Shore Garden Club.

Charles W. Schmidt of Wayland. Standing Committee; Member of the Corporation (Trustee), The Trustees of Reservations, 1976-present; President, S.D. Warren Company; Senior Vice President, Scott Paper Company; former President, Seven Gates Farm Corporation, Martha's Vineyard; former President, Deerfield Academy Alumni Association; member, Board of Trustees, Deerfield Academy; member of the corporation, Massachusetts General Hospital; member MGH Resources and Development Committee.

Elinor L. (Mrs. Andrew) Anderson-Bell of Cambridge. Advisory Council; President, Milton Academy Alumnae Association; former member, Board of Trustees, Milton Academy; member, Board of Trustees Buckingham-Brown & Nichols School and member of its Executive Committee; Trustee, American Museum, Bath, England; President, North Haven (Maine) Foundation; former Chairman, Cambridge Small Gifts Committee, Mount Auburn Hospital Capital Fund Drive.

Ann W. (Mrs. William C.) Brewer, Jr. of Manchester. Advisory Council; Member of the Corporation (Trustee), The Trustees of Reservations, 1976-present; Chairman, Friends of Misery Islands Reservations; member, Board of Trustees, New England Aquarium, member of NEA Executive Committee; Director, Sailing Education Association, Woods Hole; Trustee, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture.

Frances H. (Mrs. I. W.) Colburn of Manchester. Advisory Council; Member, Board of Trustees, Old Sturbridge Village; member, Parents Committee, Groton School; member, Parents Committee, Miss Porter's School; former member, Resources Committee, Bryn Mawr College; former Vice President, Women's Board, Art Institute of Chicago; former Treasurer, Women's Board, Chicago Horticultural Society; former member, Ladies Committee, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

Rita N. (Mrs. August R.) Meyer of Belmont. Advisory Council; Member of the Corporation, The Trustees of Reservations, 1976-present; member, Council for the Boston Symphony Orchestra; member, Resources Committee, Harvard University.

J. Graham Parsons of Stockbridge. Advisory Council; Member of the Corporation (Trustee), The Trustees of Reservations, 1976-present; Chairman, Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House; former Chairman, Stockbridge Historic District Study Committee; President, Laurel Hill Association (oldest village improvement association in the United States); former Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs; former Ambassador to Laos and Sweden; former Deputy Chairman of the United States delegation to SALT (Strategic Arms Limitation Talks).

Marian F. (Mrs. Richard D.) Thornton of Concord. Advisory Council; Member of the Corporation (Trustee), The Trustees of Reservations, 1976-present; member, Mashpee River Preservation Committee; Chairman, Natural Resources Commission, Concord; former Vice Chairman, 128-West Regional Refuse Council; founder, REUSEIT, Inc. (a not-for-profit recycling corporation).

Our Many Friends

Finally, we would also like to express our thanks to all the many friends of The Trustees of Reservations, old and new, whose loyalty and support mean so much to the cause of conservation throughout the Commonwealth and continue the dedication, spirit and ideals which created the organization and have made its accomplishments possible over the last 86 years.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon Abbott, Jr. Director

May 11, 1977

Financial Report

This report covers the fiscal year ending October 31, 1976, together with the period November 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976. We have changed our financial year to a calendar year basis and the reporting of the two-month period is necessary to bring us to the end of 1976.

During the 14-month period, our total resources on the books rose to \$7,604,694 from \$7,429,996, primarily due to the acquisition of new property. The market value of our securities rose 15 percent during the same period. In order to more accurately reflect funds available to The Trustees of Reservations for general purposes, the Standing Committee voted to transfer unused, unrestricted income accumulated in the Reservations Fund to the General Fund. The Conservation Restriction Fund, established in fiscal 1975, rose to \$11,184. This fund will be of increasing importance as the Trustees undertake to protect property under restriction.

The operating statement for the fiscal year ended October 31 was encouraging and showed a modest surplus compared to a loss of over \$50,000 in the prior year. This was due mainly to the efforts of the Director and the Staff, as well as an accounting change whereby all gifts under \$5,000, unless otherwise restricted, are now used to meet annual operating expenses. Previously, unrestricted gifts of \$1,000 and more were added to the principal of the General Fund.

Unfortunately, the marvelous work done by the Staff to hold down expenses meant a sacrifice of some things we wanted to do as well as a deferment of others involving routine maintenance, which we must do. We have gone as far as we can in reducing expenses and, as the Future Policy Report points out, we simply must have more operating funds if we are to compensate our Staff properly, maintain the property we now have and protect new properties.

For the current year we look toward another breakeven budget, but to do this we need good luck from the weatherman (Crane Beach) and a higher level of annual contributions. In fiscal 1976, reservation receipts amounted to 38 percent of total income, with investment income 47 percent and contributions 15 percent. Total gifts, both capital and income, were \$186,500 in 1975 and \$176,260 in 1976. Obviously, contributions, both annual gifts for operations and capital to generate more endowment income, will be enormously important to us in the future.

The Trustees of Reservations is in sound financial condition and is determined to maintain this strength. What we are able to accomplish in the future will depend directly on the level of interest and support we receive.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Gilman Nichols, Jr. *Treasurer*

May 11, 1977

Exhibit A Balance Sheet October 31, 1976

Resources		
Cash On Hand and in Commercial Accounts		\$ 54.022
On Hand and in Commercial Accounts		\$ 54,022
Investments		
Bonds (Quoted Market Value—\$1,350,183)	\$1,411,462	
Stocks (Quoted Market Value—2,220,628)	2,051,545	3,463,007
Accounts Receivable		
Castle Hill Foundation		761
Land, Buildings and Personal Property		3,939,894
Total Resources		\$7,457,684
Liabilities and Funds		
Liabilities		
Advances—Land Conservation Trust	\$ 20,024	
Meals and Sales Taxes Payable	165	
Mortgage Note Payable—World's End	25,000	
Note Payable—Land Conservation Trust	30,000	\$ 75,189
Funds		
Reservation and Memorial Endowment		
Funds ¹	\$2,645,328	
Accumulated Gains and Losses on	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Sales of Securities	-51,262	
Land, Buildings and Personal Property	3,939,894	
General Fund (Exhibit C) ³	796,891	
Reserve for Repairs, Replacements		
and Extraordinary Expenses	59,483	
Fund for Acquisition and Protection	44.656	
of Conservation Land	14,575	
Funds Raised for Land Acquisitions Conservation Restriction Fund	-35,029	
Other Special Purpose Funds	11,058	7 292 405
	1,557	7,382,495
Total Liabilities and Funds		7,457,684

Exhibit B

Statement of Operating Receipts and Disbursements For the Period November 1, 1975 through October 31, 1976

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Investments ²			
General Funds	\$ 58,458		
Reservation Funds	110,278	\$168,736	
Trust under indenture Arthur D. Budd		195,495	\$364,231
Gifts and Membership Contributions			
General Fund		\$ 54,178	
Reservation Funds		63,394	117,572
Proceeds from Admissions, Parking, Sales			
of Food, etc. at the Reservations			291,110
Miscellaneous			3,192
Total Receipts			\$776,105
Disbursements			
Headquarters Expenses		\$218,155	
Operating Expenses at the Reservations		556,260	
Total Disbursements		-	774,415
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		=	\$ 1,690

White flowers of narcissus reflect the warmth of spring sunlight at Mytoi—Chappaquiddick, Martha's Vineyard.



Exhibit C Analysis of General Fund For the Fiscal Year November 1, 1975 through October 31, 1976

	ce, November 1, 1975 Excess of Receipts over Disbursements for the Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1976			\$462,549
	(Exhibit B)	\$	1,690	
	Bequest		2,000	
	Transfer of prior years' accumulated net income from Reservation Operating Funds ³	3	30,652	334,342
Balan	ce, October 31, 1976		=	\$796,891

Mr. H. Gilman Nichols, Treasurer The Trustees of Reservations Milton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Nichols:

I have examined the Balance Sheet of The Trustees of Reservations as of October 31, 1976 and the related Statements of Income and Expense and Changes in Funds for the year then ended. The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

I hereby certify that the accompanying Balance Sheet and Statements in support thereof present fairly the financial position of The Trustees of Reservations at October 31, 1976 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles consistent with that of the preceding year.

Cortland B. Bacall Certified Public Accountant

27 State Street Boston, Massachusetts February 16, 1977

Exhibit A Balance Sheet December 31, 1976

Resources		
Cash On Hand and in Commercial Accounts		\$ 112,629
On Hand and in Commercial Accounts		\$ 112,029
Investments		
Bonds (Quoted Market Value—\$1,324,395)	\$1,361,462	2 460 000
Stocks (Quoted Market Value—2,378,053)	2,108,418	3,469,880
Accounts Receivable		
Castle Hill Foundation		10,065
Land, Buildings and Personal Property		4,012,120
Total Resources		\$7,604,694
Liabilities and Funds		
Liabilities		
Advances—Land Conservation Trust	\$ 30,000	
Mortgage Note Payable—World's End	25,000	
Note Payable—Land Conservation Trust	30,000	
Payroll Taxes, etc. Withheld	1,401	\$ 86,401
Funds		
Reservation and Memorial Endowment		
Funds ¹	\$2,645,403	
Accumulated Gains and Losses on Sales		
of Securities	-45,079	
Land, Buildings and Personal Property	4,012,120	
General Fund (Exhibit C) ³	839,220	
Reserve for Repairs, Replacements and		
Extraordinary Expenses	59,483	
Fund for Acquisition and Protection of	15 102	
Conservation Land	15,103	
Funds Raised for Land Acquisitions	-34,029 11,184	
Conservation Restriction Fund Other Special Purpose Funds	11,184	\$7,518,293
	14,000	
Total Liabilities and Funds		\$7,604,694

Exhibit B

Statement of Operating Receipts and Disbursements For the Period November 1 through December 31, 1976

Receipts			
Investments ²			
General Fund	\$10,025		
Reservation Funds	18,892	\$28,917	
Trust under indenture Arthur D. Bude	d	30,000	\$ 58,917
Gifts and Membership Contributions			
General Fund		\$28,579	
Reservation Funds		34,570	63,149
Proceeds from Admissions, Parking, Sa	les		
of Food, etc. at the Reservations			14,084
Miscellaneous			1,112
Total Receipts			\$137,262
Disbursements			
Headquarters Expenses		\$30,361	
Operating Expenses at the Reservations		57,620	
Total Disbursements			87,981
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements			\$ 49,281

Exhibit C

Analysis of General Fund For the Period November 1 through December 31, 1976

Balance, November 1, 1976	\$796,891
Add: Excess of Receipts over Disbursements for the Period	
November 1 through December 31, 1976 (Exhibit B)	49,281
	\$846,172
Deduct: Transfers to Special Purpose Funds	6,952
Balance, December 31, 1976	\$839,220

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Cortland B. Bacall
Certified Public Accountant

27 State Street Boston, Massachusetts April 12, 1977

Notes to the Accounts

1. Budd Trust

The Trustees of Reservations is a residual beneficiary under the Arthur and Helen Budd Trusts in the amount of \$4,178,428, and receives yearly income from principal.

2. Pooled Funds

All Reservation and Memorial Endowment Funds, with the exception of The Mission House and Naumkeag, are pooled for investment purposes. Income is assigned quarterly to each fund according to its unit share of the total account. If additions are made to principal in any single account, its number of units, or share of the total, is raised proportionately, thus allowing a proportionate increase in growth and income. In the same way, each fund also shares in an appreciation of principal and in an increase of dividends.

3. Transfer of Accumulated Funds

On February 11, 1976, the Standing Committee voted to credit or charge the General Fund with the net difference between income and expenses accumulated at Reservations which do not have endowment funds the income of which is restricted solely to meeting the expenses of that property, effective November 1, 1975. The total accumulated net balances of these Reservation funds was \$340,092, which resulted in the transfer to the General Fund in fiscal year 1975–1976 of \$330,653. The remainder represented gifts and grants to the Charles River Protection Program, amounting to \$9,439, which are now carried as Funds Raised for Land Acquisitions.

Conservation Award

Each year since 1934, The Trustees of Reservations has honored outstanding service and notable accomplishments in the field of conservation and the environment. The Conservation Award, a silver tray, inscribed with the traditional white pine symbol of The Trustees of Reservations, has been presented to the following distinguished recipients:

1934	Dr. John C. Phillips	1956	Arthur Theodore Lyman
1935	Samuel A. York	1957	Fred Smith
1936	William P. Wharton	1958	George Burnham Wells
1937	John S. Ames	1959	Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait
1938	Mrs. S. V. R. Crosby	1960	Hon. Francis W. Sargent
1939	John D. Rockefeller, Jr.	1961	William Roger Greeley
1940	Mrs. James J. Storrow	1962	Hon. Leverett Saltonstall
1941	Newton Bishop Drury	1963	Donald B. Miller
1942	Robert Moses	1964	Dr. George C. Shattuck
1943	Frederick Law Olmsted, Jr.	1965	Allen H. Morgan
1944	William Sumner Appleton	1967	Charles H. W. Foster
1945	Jay Norwood Darling	1968	People of Hingham and
1946	Charles Sumner Bird		the South Shore
1947	Harlan Page Kelsey	1969	Charles W. Eliot, II
1948	Harris Aquilla Reynolds	1970	Mrs. Seth Wakeman
1949	Laurence Brown Fletcher	1971	Mrs. Horatio Rogers
1950	Fairfield Osborn	1972	Morgan G. Bulkeley
1951	Louise du Pont Crowninshield	1973	Richard Borden
1952	Charles Russell Mason	1974	Thomas D. Cabot
1953	Walter Prichard Eaton	1975	John W. Peirce
1954	Benton MacKaye	1976	Frederick T. Pratt
1955	Robert Walcott		
		1976	Frederick T. Pratt

Frederick T. Pratt, center, recipient of the 1976 Conservation Award, at Rocky Woods in Medfield. Left, Charles E. Mason, Jr., President of The Trustees of Reservations who presented the Award to Mr. Pratt and, right, Joseph B. Lund, speaker at the ceremonies.



Properties 1897—1977

First		Approximate
Acquii	red	Acreage
1897	Mount Ann Park, Gloucester	87
1897	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn	77
1898	Governor Hutchinson's Field, Milton	10
1899	Monument Mountain Reservation,	
	Great Barrington	257
1905	Petticoat Hill, Williamsburg	60
1928	William Cullen Bryant Homestead, Cumi	
1929	Chesterfield Gorge, West Chesterfield	161
1933	Whitney and Thayer Woods, Cohasset	5 00
1024	and Hingham	799
1934	Medfield Rhododendrons, Medfield	196
1934	Halibut Point, Rockport	12
1935	Dinosaur Footprints, Holyoke	8 83
1935	Misery Islands, Salem Pine and Hemlock Knoll, Wenham	14
1936 1939	The Old Manse, Concord	8
1939	Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover	597 [2]
1940	Elliott Laurel Reservation, Phillipston	33
1941	Rocky Woods, Medfield	438
1942	Lowell Holly Reservation, Mashpee	750
1772	and Sandwich	135
1944	Holmes Reservation, Plymouth	26
1945	Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial	20
1743	Reservation, Ipswich	1,352
1946	Bartholomew's Cobble, Ashley Falls	207 [35]
1948	The Mission House, Stockbridge	1/2
1951	Royalston Falls, Royalston	205
1952	Old Town Hill, Newbury	276 [8]
1952	Redemption Rock, Princeton	1/4
1955	Crowninshield Island, Marblehead Harbo	or 5
1956	Pegan Hill, Dover and Natick	32
1957	Agassiz Rock, Manchester	104
1957	Pierce House, Milton	6
1959	Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge,	
	Chappaquiddick	457 [11]
1959	Doane's Falls, Royalston	30
1959	Mashpee River, Mashpee	375
1959	Naumkeag, Stockbridge	46
1959	Noon Hill, Medfield	52
1960	Charles River Peninsula, Needham	29
1962	Stevens-Coolidge Place, North Andover	89
1962	Tantiusques (Graphite Mine), Sturbridge	55
1963	Tyringham Cobble, Tyringham	206

1964	Chapelbrook, S. Ashfield		128
1964	Pamet River, Truro		20
1964	Glendale Falls, Middlefield		60
1966	Notchview, Windsor	3	,000
1966	Menemsha Hills, Chilmark	136	[12]
1966	Fork Factory Brook, Medfield		62
1967	World's End, Hingham		251
1967	Wasque, Chappaquiddick		200
1968	Bear's Den, North New Salem		3
1968	Bear Swamp, Ashfield		171
1968	Weir Hill, North Andover		183
1968	Meadow Lots, Medfield		16
1970	Henry L. Shattuck Reservation, Medfield		270
1970	Albert F. Norris Reservation, Norwell		100
1970	Appleton Farms Grass Rides, Hamilton	123	[29]
1974	Bridge Island Meadows, Millis		80
1974	Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket		810
1974	Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge,		
	Ipswich and Essex		700
1975	James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersha	.m	366
1975	Jacob Hill, Royalston		53
1975	Greenwood Farm Salt Marsh, Ipswich		118
1975	Noanet Brook Woods, Dover		39
1975	North Common Meadow, Petersham		22
1976	Medouie Creek, Nantucket		5
1976	Mytoi, Chappaquiddick		11
Total a	nnroximate acreage	13	644

Total represents acreage as of December 31, 1976, and includes acreage acquired during calendar year 1976 shown in brackets [].

Conservation Restrictions

1972	Charles River, Sherborn	81
1973	Longacre Farm, Medfield	63
1973	Prospect Hill, Chilmark	8
1974	James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham	6
1974	Castle Neck River, Ipswich and Essex	227
1974	Hunnewell Pinetum, Wellesley	5
1974	Mayhew Island, Chilmark	7
1975	Castle Neck River, Ipswich	32
1975	Charles River, Westwood and Dedham	18
1975	East Hollyholm, Chilmark	75
1975	Seven Gates Farm, Chilmark and West Tisbury	1,100
1975	Trout Brook, Dover	110
1976	Bothways Farm, Essex	99
1976	Charles River, Millis	20
1976	Charles River, Sherborn	24
1976	Ipswich River, Ipswich	30
1976	Nashawena Island, Gosnold	1,900
1976	Tiah's Cove, West Tisbury	65
Total	annroximate acreage	3 870

Reservations

As of November, 1977

Agassiz Rock Manchester (104 acres)

Wooded upland, swamp with two huge glacial boulders or erratics, said to have been discovered by Louis Agassiz (1807-1873) celebrated professor of natural history at Harvard University. Forest includes hemlock, beech and maple; mosses, lichens and bearberry. Circuit trail. View of Massachusetts Bay.

Original 28.8 acres with endowment, gift in 1957 of Arthur W. Stevens who gave another 46 acres in 1958. In 1960 and 1961, 7.8 acres and 2.72 acres were purchased. Samuel Knight & Sons, Co. gave 6.17 acres in 1962. In 1963 four acres were purchased with funds provided by area residents. An acre of woodland was given in 1964 by Miss Doris E. Peabody and Mrs. John B. Warner in memory of their grandfather, William A. Stone, and their great uncle, Charles H. Stone. In 1965 Edwin F., Roland E. and Dorothea Butler and Barbara Babbin gave some three acres of woodland in memory of Nelson A. Butler. In 1967, 4.2 acres were acquired from the heirs of Eva Rand.

Appleton Farms Grass Rides Hamilton (123 acres)

A part of Appleton Farms, granted to Samuel Appleton by the Town of Ipswich in 1638 at the time of Charles I of England. Woodland, forest plantations and wetlands with five miles of bridle trails for walking and cross-country skiing. Trails lead to monument at Round Point. Includes a portion of the watershed of the Miles River and Ipswich River.

Gift in 1970 of Colonel and Mrs. Francis R. Appleton, Jr. In 1976, Mrs. Appleton gave an additional 28.6 acres of land.

Bartholomew's Cobble Ashley Falls (207 acres) A National Natural Landmark

A natural rock garden of extraordinary beauty and diversity bordering the Housatonic River. High limestone knolls or "cobble stones." More than 700 plant species and 236 species of waterfowl, marsh and song birds have been recorded. Includes Colonel John Ashley House (National Register of Historic Places), built in 1735, home of John Ashley, Berkshire patriot and farmer. Bartholomew's Cobble was once the property of Colonel Ashley. Ledges Interpretive Trail.

Original 30 acres purchased with funds raised from public subscription in 1946. In 1963, the ox-bow peninsula and a 20-foot wide portion of the east bank of the Housatonic, a total of 14 acres, were also purchased and some eight acres south of Rannapo Road were added in 1968.

In 1969, funds raised from public subscription and foundation grants in a comprehensive program to enlarge and protect the reservation, made possible the acquisition of some 115 acres including Hurlburt Hill with its magnificent views and woodland with two of the largest tulip trees in Berkshire County.

In 1972, the program also made possible the acquisition of the Colonel John Ashley House. In 1976, a 35-acre field, west of Bartholomew's Cobble, now Ashley Field, was acquired, uniting the historic house and the Cobble itself. Acquisition was made possible with funds raised earlier and with a matching grant from the National Park Service and the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

Bear's Den North New Salem (3.4 acres)

Tiny grotto with a sparkling waterfall on the Middle Branch of the Swift River where legend says King Philip gathered with his Indian chieftains in 1675 to plan the march and massacre of settlers in Deerfield.

Bequest of Mrs. Grais Burrage in 1968.

Bear Swamp Reservation Ashfield (171 acres)

Forest land—mixed hardwoods, pine and hemlock—with steep ridges of glacial rock. Two small ponds, streams, patches of swamp and bog. One of the features of the property is its wildflowers: lady's slippers, painted trillium, cowslips, marsh marigolds, blue gentian, wild azaleas and flowering dogwood. Habitat for beaver, white-tailed deer and bobcat. Wood roads and trails.

Gift of the Reverend and Mrs. Philip J. Steinmetz in 1968. Some seven acres were added in 1969, gift of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Tatro. In 1970, an additional 67 acres were given by Mrs. Gouverneur Morris Phelps. In 1971, 8.4 acres were added, gift of Mrs. Helene S. Walker. Two parcels of land, some 29 acres, were given in 1974 by the Reverend and Mrs. Steinmetz and Dr. and Mrs. Henry G. Clarke.

Bridge Island Meadows Millis (80 acres)

Upland and wetland meadow on the Charles River, once a part of neighboring Millborn Farm. Includes 37-acre Bridge Island south of South End Pond and Bogastow Brook.

Gift in 1974 of Dr. and Mrs. John D. Constable. Acquired as a part of the Charles River Protection Program.

James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve Petersham (366 acres)

Once territory of the Nipmuck Indians and open farmland in the early 1800's, the Preserve today is a forest of white pine, beech, birch and hemlock. Old growth trees and cellar holes of early settlers. Includes ponds and major portions of the East Branch of the Swift River and Roaring Brook. Named for James Wilson Brooks, once owner of the land and founder of the Harvard Forest which borders the property.

Gift of the Trustees of Brooks Wildlife Sanctuary in 1975: Mr. and Mrs. John Fiske and John Fiske, Jr. Funds are being sought to establish and endow a scholarship program to provide practical management training and field experience for young foresters.

William Cullen Bryant Homestead Cummington (189 acres) A National Historic Landmark

Boyhood home and later summer residence of one of America's most beloved literary figures. "Old Homestead" originally built in 1783, contains many of Bryant's personal effects and souvenirs of travels in Europe and the Near East as well as furniture and relics of country life in early America. Barn with early farm implements. Fields still used for agriculture. Superb views of surrounding countryside.

Bequest of Minna Godwin Goddard, granddaughter of the poet, with endowment in 1928. A legacy from the estate of Bryant's daughter, Julia Sands Bryant, was added in 1930. Bryant memorabilia in the Homestead given by Conrad G. Goddard.

Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge Chappaquiddick Island Martha's Vineyard (483 acres)

Low dunes, cedar thickets, salt marsh, salt ponds, tidal flats and more than six miles of beach on Nantucket Sound and Cape Poge Bay. Habitat for thousands of sea and shore birds. Little Neck, a nesting area for oyster catcher, snowy egret, black-crowned night heron, Canada geese and least terns. Shellfish. Surf casting for bluefish and striped bass.

Gift of Charles S. Bird and Oliver D. Filley, with endowment in 1959. Six acres of beach were given in 1964 by Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Parmenter. In 1965, some four acres of beach were given by Mrs. Doris H. Chouinard. In 1970 and 1971, 20.4 acres and 22.2 acres on Little Neck were acquired with funds contributed by Mrs. Seth Wakeman. Fifteen acres of moorland and beach were purchased in 1972 from Dr. Joseph E. Murray. In 1976 an additional 10.8 acres at Little Neck were purchased with funds contributed by Mrs. Wakeman. An undivided one-quarter interest in 72.5 acres of land at East Beach was acquired by gift in 1966. Additional undivided interests were purchased in 1975 and 1977. Undivided interests in East Beach total 79.15 percent.

Chapelbrook Reservation South Ashfield (128 acres)

Below the high ledges of Pony Mountain, Chapel Brook drops 10 feet, 15 feet and 25 feet in a series of waterfalls. Pools below the falls are shaded by a forest of pine and hemlock, beech, yellow birch, hornbeam and maple. Ledges offer superb views of surrounding countryside.

Given with endowment in 1964 by Mrs. Mina K. Curtiss in memory of her husband, Henry T. Curtiss.

Charles River Peninsula Needham (29 acres)

Once a pasture of the Walker-Gordon dairy farm, the property, which includes some woodland, protects one mile of frontage on the north bank of the Charles River. Hay is still used for agricultural purposes.

Gift in 1960 of William M. Austin, Henry R. Guild, Dr. James F. Powers, William B. Rogers, Jr. and George S. Weld.

Chesterfield Gorge West Chesterfield (161 acres)

A deep canyon where the Westfield River flows past sheer granite cliffs topped with hemlock, ash and yellow birch. Includes stone abutments of the High Bridge built in 1739, a part of the Boston to Albany Post Road. Trails, picnic area.

Original 17.5 acres acquired in 1929 to save the area from logging. Five and one-half acres on the west bank were acquired in 1949 with funds contributed by Mrs. Stanley King and Sidney L. Beals. In 1950, inspired by the interest of Mrs. Clarence E. Swenson, the Pioneer Valley Association contributed 30 acres on the east bank. In 1955, the Quinnehtuk Company gave an additional five acres. Three acres of river bank were purchased in 1963. In 1965, 100 acres of forest land on the east side of the Gorge were purchased from Joseph E. Gagnon.

Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge Nantucket (810 acres)

Low sand dunes, salt marsh and upland bordering Nantucket Harbor, Nantucket Sound and the Atlantic Ocean. Includes a salt pond, windswept oak forest and more than five miles of shoreline and beach. Sanctuary for a wide variety of coastal wildlife, finfish and shellfish. Surf casting for bluefish and striped bass. Once site of a U.S. Life-saving Station established in 1883.

Gift in 1974 of Mrs. J. Allen Backus and Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Sziklas. The Trustees of Reservations also manages, as agent for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 24-acre Nantucket National Wildlife Refuge at Great Point. In a cooperative management program, The Trustees of Reservations and the Nantucket Conservation Foundation provide protection for a total of some 18 miles of shoreline and more than 2,000 acres of coastal land.

Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge Ipswich and Essex (700 acres)

Five islands and surrounding salt marsh in the Essex River estuary including a portion of Castle Neck and Wigwam Hill. A house built between 1725 and 1740 and birthplace (1799) of U.S. Senator and orator Rufus Choate still stands at Hog Island. Early barn. Visitor Center. Refuge provides habitat

for white-tailed deer, waterfowl, shore and upland birds, shellfish, soft shell clams and finfish, striped bass and winter flounder.

Gift in 1974 of Mrs. Miné S. Crane.

Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation Ipswich (1,352 acres)

Unique landscape and natural area including Crane Beach and Castle Neck, more than four miles of shoreline on Ipswich Bay, with its sand dunes, salt marsh and pitch pine forest; Castle Hill with its Great House and 18th century Georgian elegance designed in 1927 by architect David Adler, its formal gardens and grande allée, lined with statuary, leading to the sea. Bathing beach, bath houses and refreshment facility. Summer concert series. Property is a refuge for white-tailed deer and common and least terns.

Initial 1,000 acres given in memory of Richard T. Crane, Jr. in 1945 by Mrs. Crane and members of the family. In 1949, Mrs. Crane bequeathed an additional 300 acres which included major portions of Castle Hill as well as portions of Middle Hill and Steep Hill, and some 50 acres adjoining Castle Neck Beach. In 1952, Florence Crane Belosselsky exercised an option to acquire 55 acres and in 1953, 1.6 acres were acquired by the Town of Ipswich. Patterson Island, 22.75 acres, was given in 1957 by Cornelius Crane. In 1965, Mrs. Regina Dodge Eliot gave some 10 acres of salt marsh bordering the Reservation. Restrictions protecting marshland on the Castle Neck River were given in 1966 by Professor and Mrs. Charles W. Eliot, II. In 1972, Colonel and Mrs. Francis R. Appleton, Jr. gave additional parcels of salt marsh totaling 25.8 acres.

Crowninshield Island Marblehead (5 acres) Crowninshield Island with its pink granite shoreline, small salt marsh and sand beach is named for the late Mrs. Francis B. Crowninshield, a resident of nearby Peach Point and one of the nation's leading advocates of historic preservation. Gift of Mrs. Crowninshield in 1955, with endowment.

Dinosaur Footprints Reservation Holyoke (7.5 acres) Sedimentary ledge on the west bank of the Connecticut River contains dinosaur tracks made in Triassic time, some 190 million years ago. Includes a portion of river frontage and views of Holyoke Mountain range.

Purchased with contributions in 1935.

Doane's Falls Royalston (30 acres)

A spectacular series of waterfalls and deep pools where Lawrence Brook flows through a granite gorge crowned with pine and hemlock on its way to Tully River. Named for Amos Doane who built a large mill which overlooked the area. Some 12 acres on the south bank of Lawrence Brook were first acquired in 1959. Preservation of the Falls itself was made possible by the generosity of Richard Bullock in 1975. The gift is in memory of Mr. Bullock's father, Brigham Newton Bullock; his mother, Flora Bullock Poore; and his stepfather, Major General Benjamin Andrew Poore, U.S. Army; and in honor of his wife, Nancy B. Bullock. A memorial at the Falls is inscribed appropriately. The history of the Bullock family reaches far back to the early days of Royalston prior to the Revolution and includes a Royalston resident who served as Governor of the Commonwealth.

Doane's Falls was owned and preserved for many years by Edward F. Bragg whose grandfather was given the original grant of land by King George III. A marker pays tribute to the memory of Mr. Bragg.

Elliott Laurel Reservation Phillipston (33 acres)

Once pasture land, now a forest of old-field white pine and hardwood with an understory of mountain laurel. Stone walls, woodland paths. Property includes two former pastures, still open land.

Gift in 1941 of Frederick W. Elliott in memory of his mother. Endowed by Miss Olive Simes. Two adjoining fields, some eight acres, were purchased in 1974.

Fork Factory Brook Reservation Medfield (61.9 acres)

Woodland and swamp with leather leaf, pitcher plants and wild cranberry. Nearby is the century-old site of a former pitchfork factory. Includes a portion of Mill Brook. Just south of Rocky Woods Reservation.

Gift in 1966 of Pliny Jewell, Jr. and his sister, Mrs. Barrett Williams, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pliny Jewell. Bordering the property to the west are 63 acres protected by a conservation restriction given by Joel A. Goldthwait in 1963.

Glendale Falls Middlefield (60 acres)

Glendale Brook cascades more than 150 feet over rocky ledges on its way to nearby Middle River to the east. Woodland surrounding the falls includes hemlock, beech, birch and maple with an understory of mountain laurel.

Purchased in 1964.

Greenwood Farm Salt Marsh Ipswich (118 acres)

Salt marsh, including five islands in the marsh, bordering Greenwood Creek and the Ipswich River. Part of historic Greenwood Farm which includes the Paine House built in 1660. Adjoins a parcel of salt marsh given in 1972 by Colonel and Mrs. Francis R. Appleton, Jr., a part of Appleton Farms.

Gift in 1975 of Miss Sally Dodge and Mrs. Alice Dodge Wolfson. Acquired as part of the Ipswich-Essex Salt Marsh Protection Program.

Halibut Point Reservation Rockport (12.25 acres)

Rocky headland which forms the northern tip of Cape Ann, Halibut, or "Haul-About", Point, where sailing vessels tacked to round the cape, offers outstanding views of Ipswich Bay, the New Hampshire coastline and, on a clear day, Mount Agamenticus in Maine. Spectacular surf in northeast storms. Vegetation includes wood lilies, asters, bayberries and blackberries.

Acquired in 1934 with gifts from Dr. John C. Phillips and Rockport residents.

Holmes Reservation Plymouth (26 acres)

Views of Plymouth Bay, Duxbury Beach, Gurnet Point and Clark's Island. Primarily open field. Before the Revolutionary War, a part of the property was used as a mustering ground. Includes a portion of beach front on the Bay.

Gift of Francis C. Holmes and his sister, Miss Helen M. Holmes, with endowment, in 1944. An additional acre given in 1955 by Plymouth Cordage Company. Four acres were purchased in 1959.

Governor Hutchinson's Field Milton (10 acres)

Once a fruit orchard and part of the property of Thomas Hutchinson, last Royal Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Overlooks Metropolitan District Commission's Neponset River Reservation. Magnificent views of Boston skyline and Boston Harbor islands. Includes frontage on the tidal Neponset River.

Gift of John M. Forbes and his sister, Mrs. Mary F. Cunningham in 1898. Additional land purchased with funds provided by residents of the area. Endowed by bequest of Mrs. Cunningham.

Jacob Hill Royalston (53 acres)

Woodland of hemlock, oak and ash on high, steep ridge overlooking Tully River and Long Pond. Superb views. Stands of mountain laurel. Adjacent to Spirit Falls owned by Harvard Forest.

Purchased in 1975 with funds contributed anonymously. Part of a project to protect land on the ridge east of Long Pond and north of Doane's Falls.

Lowell Holly Reservation Mashpee (135 acres)

A peninsula dividing Wakeby Pond and Mashpee Pond, two of Cape Cod's largest fresh water ponds. Sizable stand of beech, rhododendron and more than 300 trees of native American holly. Shoreline includes sand beaches, trails.

Bequeathed with an endowment in 1942 by A. Lawrence Lowell, President of Harvard University. An abandoned cranberry bog, 5.13 acres, was purchased in 1973.

Mashpee River Reservation Mashpee (375 acres)

One of the finest natural, sea-run brook trout or "salter" streams in the Commonwealth. Its source is Mashpee and Wakeby Ponds and numerous springs in the river itself. Property follows course of the stream from Quashnet Road to south of Old Barnstable Road.

Gift of J.W. Farley in 1959.

Medfield Meadow Lots Medfield (15.5 acres)

Three parcels of meadow land in the floodplain of the Charles River. Hay was harvested here until a few years ago.

Given by Henry L. Shattuck in 1968. Acquired as a part of the Charles River Protection Program.

Medfield Rhododendrons Medfield (196 acres)

One of the few remaining stands of native rosebay rhododendron in the Commonwealth; blooms in early July. Upland and swamp; woodland paths. A portion of land was granted in 1663 to Medfield's first minister, John Wilson, a member of the first class to graduate from Harvard College.

Purchased with funds raised from public subscription in 1934. Robert S. Hale gave 1.84 acres in 1936 and with his brother Richard W. Hale, gave an additional 61 acres in 1937. Some six acres were purchased in 1938. In 1961, 19.3 acres, and in 1971, 81 acres, were given by W.K. Gilmore & Sons, Inc.

Medouie Creek Nantucket (4.84 acres)

Upland and swamp off Wauwinet Road. Oak, red maple and pitch pine. Pocomo Meadows and Medouie Marsh, properties of the Nantucket Conservation Foundation, are nearby.

Gift of the Trustees of Medouie Creek Association in 1976.

Menemsha Hills Reservation Martha's Vineyard (149 acres)

Dramatic marine escarpment some 150 feet high, landmark of the north shore of Martha's Vineyard. Rocky beach with 4,000 feet of frontage on Vineyard Sound. Scrub oak, blueberries, bearberry and heather. Hiking trails. Views of the Elizabeth Islands, Nobska Point and Falmouth.

Gift of Nathaniel L. Harris and his sister, Catherine P. Harris, in memory of their grandparents, Nathaniel and Sarah A. Harris. In 1973, a conservation restriction protecting 8.3 acres bordering the Reservation and including the summit of Prospect Hill, highest hilltop on the Vineyard, was given by the Trustees of the Prospect Hill Realty Trust.

Misery Islands Reservation Salem Bay (82.5 acres)

Second largest island land mass between Boston Harbor and Cape Porpoise, Maine; mentioned in 1630 by John Winthrop, Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, in his journal aboard the *Arbella*. Once the site of summer cottages, club house and a nine-hole golf course. Now rolling field land with scattered stands of oak and pine. Fresh water pond. Many cellar holes are still visible. Superb views.

Original 68 acres purchased in 1935 with funds contributed by residents of the area. In 1938, Dr. John C. Phillips and Mrs. Charles S. Bird gave an additional six and one-half acres. Five more acres were added in 1940, gift of the estate of Theodore C. Hollander. In 1950 and in 1955, one-half acre and two and one-half acres were purchased.

The Mission House Stockbridge (½ acre) A National Historic Landmark

Home of Reverend John Sergeant, first missionary to the Stockbridge Indians, built in 1739. Two and one-half-story Georgian frame house with special entrance and long, narrow hall which enabled the Indians to reach Sergeant's study. Includes "salet" and perennial garden with dwarf fruit trees. Outstanding collection of period furniture; cupboard and study chair used by Sergeant.

Given by Stockbridge Mission House Association and endowed by Miss Mabel Choate in 1948.

Monument Mountain Reservation Great Barrington (256.5 acres)

Summit at Squaw Peak, where authors Nathaniel Hawthorne, Herman Melville and Oliver Wendell Holmes picnicked in 1850, offers spectacular views. Bryant poem tells of an Indian maiden, disappointed in love, who hurled herself from the mountain top. Stone cairn which marks her grave gives the mountain its name. There are other legends as well.

Gift of Miss Helen C. Butler in 1899. Endowed in 1899 and 1906 by Miss Butler.

Mount Ann Park West Gloucester (87 acres)

Peak of Thompson Mountain ridge (Rev. Samuel Thompson, minister of nearby West Parish Meeting House, died in 1724) named for Queen Anne of England (1702–1714). Views from summit (270 feet) of Mount Agamenticus in Maine and Great Blue Hill in Milton. A number of plants are typical of more northern climates. Property protects portion of the watershed of Dykes Pond, reservoir of the City of Gloucester.

In 1897, 50 acres were given in memory of Henry Davis Minot by his brothers, William, Charles S., Robert S. and Laurence Minot. Additional land, some 22 acres, was given in 1926 by heirs of Edward Bray and in 1927 by David O. Mears. Mrs. Ruth A. Oakes gave 16 acres in 1929. In 1968, six acres were given by Addison S. Bray. The Commonwealth took seven acres by eminent domain in 1952 for Route 128. Also in 1952,

members of the Minot family established the Henry Davis Minot Fund, an endowment fund for the property. A bequest from Mrs. Henry M. Channing added to the Fund in 1963.

Mytoi Chappaquiddick Martha's Vineyard (11 acres)

Pitch pine and oak woodland preserving much of the roadway to Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge. Includes a small pond and garden with azaleas, rhododendrons, Hanoki cyprus, holly, flowering dogwood, tupelo, wild roses and daffodils. Salt marsh and creek with occasional river otter.

Gift of Mrs. Seth Wakeman in 1976.

Naumkeag Stockbridge (46 acres)

Designed in 1885 by architect Stanford White in the great shingle style of the period, Naumkeag, "Haven of Peace", (National Register of Historic Places) was the summer home of Joseph Hodges Choate, U.S. Ambassador to the Court of St. James' at the end of the reign of Queen Victoria. Grounds include formal promenades, fountains, terraces and a Chinese Garden.

Bequeathed with endowment by Miss Mabel Choate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, in 1959.

Noanet Brook Woods Dover (39 acres)

Once a sheep pasture now forested with white pine and oak. Stone walls. A portion borders Noanet Brook and land owned by the Town of Dover.

Given in 1975 by Mrs. Henry B. Cabot.

Noon Hill Reservation Medfield (52 acres)

Woodland, white pine and oak, rising some 160 feet above the broad meadows of the floodplain of the Charles River and Stop River. Noon Hill was named by early settlers who marked the middle of the day as the sun arose above its ridge. Land is located in two parcels north and south of the summit of Noon Hill itself. Wildflowers. Habitat for white-tailed deer, red fox, ruffed grouse.

Original 17 acres given in 1959 by W.K. Gilmore & Sons. In 1960, 15 acres were given by Henry L. Shattuck with the cooperation of Daniel S. Cheever and Dr. F. Sargent Cheever. Mr. Shattuck gave an additional 20 acres in 1963.

Albert F. Norris Reservation Norwell (100 acres)

Wooded upland and salt marsh with one-half mile of frontage on the North River. Small millpond, site of historic grist and saw mill built in 1690. A portion of Second Herring Brook runs through the property. Vegetation includes tupelo and American holly; stand of sizable white pine.

Given in 1970 by Mrs. Albert F. Norris in memory of her husband.

North Common Meadow Petersham (22 acres)

Broad meadow, once pasture land, just east of Petersham common. Preserves open character and rural charm of the community's center. Includes small pond, wildflowers. Adjacent to Roaring Brook Tract of Brooks Woodland Preserve.

Acquired in 1975 with funds contributed anonymously.

Notchview Reservation Windsor (3,000 acres)

Wild forest land with gullies, brooks and hills reaching some 2,300 feet above sea level. Judge's Hill, highest point in Windsor. Parcels of open field with views. Wildlife includes white-tailed deer, bobcat, nesting hawks. Black bear seen on the property. Self-guiding trail interprets principles of forest management with emphasis on forest aesthetics and wildlife; 25 miles of hiking and cross-country ski trails. Arthur D. Budd Visitor Center.

Bequest of Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur D. Budd, U.S. Army (Ret.) in 1966. The Trustees of Reservations is residual beneficiary under the Arthur and Helen Budd Trusts.

The Old Manse Concord (8 acres) A National Historic Landmark

Built in 1770 by Reverend William Emerson, minister of the First Parish Church of Concord and first Chaplain of the Continental Army. Nathaniel Hawthorne wrote *Mosses From an Old Manse* in upstairs study. Poet and philosopher Ralph Waldo Emerson also lived here for two years. Borders famed North Bridge, scene of first battle of the Revolution.

Property purchased in 1939 following a national campaign for funds.

Old Town Hill Newbury (276 acres)

Glacial drumlin, once pasture land, now open field. Its hay is still used for agricultural purposes. For many years, a tall elm on the crown of the hill served as a landmark for mariners. Sweeping views of Parker River, Plum Island River, Parker River National Wildlife Refuge and Isles of Shoals.

A portion of the property, once known as "Hale's Old Town Hill Public Park", was owned by Stephen P. Hale who loved the land and wanted it preserved. Mrs. George A. Bushee established the reservation in 1952 with a gift of these original 25 acres as well as additional land and funds for an endowment. Through her generosity, 62 acres were added in 1960 and five acres in 1966. Some 22 acres were bequeathed in 1975. A total of some 24 acres of land bordering Old Town Hill was acquired in 1973, in 1974 and in 1976, gifts of Dr. and Mrs. Elliott Perkins.

Pamet River Reservation Truro (20 acres)

Salt marsh and upland on the Pamet River, a tidal estuary which joins Cape Cod Bay near the parklands of Cape Cod National Seashore.

Given in 1964 by Misses Judith, Ruth and Corinne Bamberger and Ferdinand Davis.

Pegan Hill Reservation Dover and Natick (32 acres)

A glacial drumlin where Thomas Pegan, one of Reverend John Eliot's (1604–1690) famous "praying Indians", made his home. View of Great Blue Hill. Once pasture land, the area now supports a pine-oak forest. Stone walls, pasture juniper, red cedar and gray birch. Trail to summit.

Gift in 1956 of Mr. and Mrs. Judson S. Battelle in memory of Mr. Battelle's father. In 1957, Mrs. Dorothea D. Hovey gave 3.37 acres. Additional land given in 1968 by Mr. and Mrs. Barron F. Lambert, Jr. Endowed by residents of the area.

Petticoat Hill Reservation Williamsburg (60 acres)

In the late 1700's, the most populated district of town. Now forested with sizable trees including hemlock, oak, pine, maple, birch and black cherry. Stone walls and cellar holes. Wildflowers. Trail to summit. 1,185 feet above sea level.

Given in 1905 by Mrs. Edward W. Nash in memory of her husband. Ten acres were added in 1923. Mrs. Nash endowed the property by bequest in 1945.

Pierce House Milton (6 acres)

Top of Milton Hill bordering Hutchinson's Field to the east; built in 1950. General Headquarters of The Trustees of Reservations since 1959, housing administrative offices, plans and records. Rhododendrons. Specimen trees. View of Neponset River, Boston Harbor.

Bequest of Henry L. Pierce in 1957.

Pine and Hemlock Knoll Wenham (14 acres)

A heavily wooded esker covered with a magnificent stand of white pine and hemlock at the edge of Wenham Great Swamp. Borders Massachusetts Audubon Society's Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary.

Gift of Dr. John C. Phillips in 1936.

Redemption Rock Princeton (1/4 acre)

Huge, flat table rock where, according to legend, agreement on ransom was reached in 1676 with a band of King Philip's Indians which returned Mary White Rowlandson, wife of the first minister of Lancaster, to her family. Bordering public lands protecting the water supply of the Town of Fitchburg and Leominster State Forest.

Given in 1952 by John Hoar and John Hoar, Jr. Historic site was first acquired in 1889 by Senator George F. Hoar, one of the founders and first President of The Trustees of Reservations.

Rocky Narrows Sherborn (77 acres)

Granite ledges topped with pine and hemlock form the narrows, historically known as the "Gates of the Charles." Near the west promontory a fort for defense against the Indians was taken down in 1806. Includes woodland along the Charles River bordering Sherborn Town Forest.

Original 21 acres were given by Augustus P. Hemenway in 1897. Additional land was given in 1942 by Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis, Jr. Also in 1942, an agreement with the Shell Oil Company added some 17 acres. Some 24 acres, Kenyon Woods, were purchased in 1974 with funds contributed by Mrs. George B. Conant.

Rocky Woods Reservation Medfield (438 acres)

Granite ledges, wooded slopes and three ponds; 12 miles of forest trails for hiking, nature study, horseback riding and cross-country skiing. In winter there is skating on natural ice at Chickering Pond. Skating Lodge with stone fireplace and refreshment center. Facilities for picnicking, boating and organized games. Shop buildings also serve as Maintenance Headquarters of The Trustees of Reservations.

Given in 1942 by Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait with endowment. Additional land totaling 128 acres was also given by Dr. Goldthwait between 1946 and his death in 1961. Through the generosity of Krist E. Apog, a .77 acre was added in 1964 and 6.65 acres in 1972.

Royalston Falls Reservation Royalston (205 acres)

Joining New Hampshire's Cheshire County and Worcester County, Massachusetts, Falls Brook flows through a natural gorge and drops nearly 70 feet to form a dramatic waterfall. Surrounding woodland includes hemlock, white pine and hardwoods. Hiking trails.

Given in 1951 by Mr. and Mrs. George L. Foote. Mr. and Mrs. Foote also gave an additional five acres in 1954.

Henry L. Shattuck Reservation Medfield (191 acres)

Forested upland and wetland meadow bordering the Charles River. White pine, oak and maple. Wildflowers include pink lady's slipper and Canada mayflower; habitat for white-tailed deer, fox. More than one and one-quarter miles of river frontage. Medfield Rhododendrons and Noon Hill are nearby.

Given in 1970 by Henry L. Shattuck.

Stevens-Coolidge Place North Andover (89 acres)

Landscaped grounds and gardens, a serpentine brick wall, greenhouse, surrounding pasture land and a small herd of polled Hereford cattle combine the charm of a New England farm with the comfort and formality of modern country living. The "Home Place", or main house, restored in Colonial Revival style, contains collections of China export porce-

lain, American decorative arts. The original portion of the house served as a tavern in the early 19th century.

Bequest, with endowment, of Mrs. Helen Stevens Coolidge in 1962.

Tantiusques Reservation Sturbridge (55 acres)

Graphite or black lead mine originally discovered by the Indians and granted to John Winthrop, Jr. in 1644. Several open cuts which followed the veins of graphite are still visible.

Given in 1962 by Roger B. Chaffee in memory of Professor George H. Haynes of Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Tyringham Cobble Tyringham (206 acres)

Steep upland pasture and woodland, including a part of Hop Brook, with spectacular views of Tyringham valley and the village below. Dairy herds still use the pasture land for grazing. Wide variety of trees, wildflowers. Plans call for the Appalachian Trail to cross a portion of the property.

Gift in 1963 of Dr. Rustin McIntosh, Mrs. Francesca G. Palmer and Edward N. Perkins. Endowed by bequest of Mrs. Olivia James in 1963.

Charles W. Ward Reservation Andover (597 acres)

Primarily woodland; includes Holt Hill (420 feet), highest hilltop in Essex County as well as Boston Hill and Shrub Hill. Solstice stones. Trails for hiking and cross-country skiing. A self-guiding interpretive trail explores a typical northern bog. Adjacent to Harold Parker State Forest.

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Wasque Reservation Chappaquiddick Island Martha's Vineyard (200 acres)

Flat moorland, low sand cliffs, salt pond and sand beach facing Nantucket Sound, Madaket Channel and the Atlantic Ocean. Surf casting for bluefish and striped bass. Least and common terns. Wasque is an Indian word meaning "the ending."

Purchased in 1967. Initial contributions from residents of Chappaquiddick and Martha's Vineyard. A general campaign raised a total of \$235,000 to acquire and help endow the property. John T.J. Clunie gave additional land in 1974.

Weir Hill Reservation North Andover (183 acres)

Named for fish weirs which once existed in nearby Cochichewick Brook. Primarily woodland with fields and wetland bordering Lake Cochichewick, a water supply reservoir. Used to pasture sheep in Colonial days. Views of the surrounding countryside. Trails for hiking and cross-country skiing.

Gift in 1968, with endowment, of the estate of Abbot Stevens. Some 5.5 acres to the south of Weir Hill and Stevens Street were given in 19u5 by the Abbot Stevens Trust.

Whitney and Thayer Woods Cohasset and Hingham (799 acres)

Old pasture land now forested with white pine, hardwoods and stands of American holly, rhododendrons and azaleas. Stone walls. More than 12 miles of trails lead through the property; view of Cohasset harbor from Turkey Hill (187 feet), a drumlin. Huge glacial boulders or erratics. Includes a part of Brass Kettle Brook which flows into Lily Pond Reservoir, a water supply for the Town of Cohasset.

Original 643 acres and endowment were given by Whitney Woods Association in 1933. In 1935, Bancroft Sanctuary, 25 acres, was given by the Federation of Bird Clubs of New England. Mrs. Hugh Bancroft gave 20 acres in 1937. Charles B. Barnes and family gave 10 acres in 1941. In 1943, Mrs. Ezra Thayer gave 28 acres in Hingham. Joseph Saponaro gave eight acres in 1950. From 1944 to 1973, 187.5 acres were purchased. In 1965 and 1966, Mrs. Kenneth L. Ketchum gave 11.7 acres. For military reasons, the Federal government has taken 135 acres.

World's End Reservation Hingham (251 acres)

Two tall drumlins joined by a narrow beach of rough sand. World's End has been admired for its dramatic topography and magnificent landscaping for more than three-quarters of a century. Winding tree-lined drives were planned by famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted in 1890 as a part of a proposed subdivision of 179 houses. Later farmed, the land supported a prize herd of Jersey cattle. Quail, pheasant, fox and rabbit, sea and shore birds. Magnificent views.

In 1967, some \$450,000 was raised from public subscription, primarily in Hingham and on the South Shore, to assure its preservation. In 1972, 2.3 acres of salt marsh were given by Mr. and Mrs. William A. Walker.

Conservation Restrictions

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Bothways Farm Essex (99 acres, 1976)

Restriction protecting forest and rolling pasture land and providing for their continued use for agricultural purposes as well as for the preservation of their scenic beauty. Includes an old orchard, salt marsh. Gift of Mrs. Frederic C. Bartlett.

James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve Petersham (6 acres, 1974)

Three restrictions protecting a portion of the west bank of the East Branch of the Swift River bordering Brooks Woodland Preserve. Gifts of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Moore and the Trustees of Brooks Wildlife Sanctuary: Mr. and Mrs. John Fiske and John Fiske, Jr.

Ipswich-Essex Salt Marsh Protection Program Ipswich and Essex (about 227 acres, 1974)

Fourteen restrictions protecting salt marsh and upland, including three islands, along some three miles of the winding Castle Neck River. Gifts of Mrs. Usher P. Coolidge, Dr. Robert L. Goodale, Mrs. Franz J. Ingelfinger, Mrs. Ellen O. Jennings, Mrs. Francis C. Lowell, Mrs. Maurice M. Osborne, Sydney W. Osborne, Mrs. H. Felix Pereira, Miss Alice W. Shurcliff, Sidney N. Shurcliff, William A. Shurcliff, Miss Gertrude Townsend, Mrs. Charles W. Townsend and Mrs. Edward Wheeler.

Ipswich (32 acres, 1975)

Restriction protecting salt marsh and upland, north and south of Argilla Road. A portion borders historic Ipswich-Essex canal between Ipswich River and Castle Neck River. Gift of David C. Crockett.

Ipswich (30 acres, 1976)

Restriction protecting salt marsh north of Argilla Road. Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Phillips.

Ipswich (30 acres, 1977)

Restriction protecting Oak Island, some 30 acres of upland in the marsh north of Argilla Road. Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Phillips.

Charles River Protection Program Sherborn (81 acres, 1972)

Two restrictions protecting wetland and upland, including one mile of river frontage from Farm Street Bridge to Rocky Narrows Reservation. Gifts of Mrs. George Lewis, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis and Richard Saltonstall.

Dedham and Westwood (18 acres, 1975) Restriction protecting woodland and wet meadow, including 400 feet of river frontage. Gift of Mrs. Bradford Williams.

Millis (20 acres, 1976)

Restriction protecting wooded upland and wetland, including more than one-half mile of river frontage. Gift of Benjamin B. Baker, Nicholas J. Baker, Mrs. Talbot Baker and Mrs. Christopher A. Pantaleoni.

Sherborn (24 acres, 1976)

Restriction protecting wetland on the west bank of the Charles River, south of Dearth Bridge. Gift of David C. Forbes.

Dedham (88 acres, 1977) Restriction protecting some one-half mile of frontage along the Charles River and more than one-half mile along the Rock Meadow Brook which flows into the Charles. Includes wetland, wooded upland and fields. Gift of Mrs. Mason Sears.

East Hollyholm Chilmark (75 acres, 1975) Restriction protecting some 1,565 feet of shoreline on Vineyard Sound. Includes open and wooded land and two brooks. Gift of Mrs. Robert N. Ganz.

Hunnewell Pinetum Wellesley (5 acres, 1974) Restriction protecting an arboretum containing an exceptional collection of evergreens which have been assembled and maintained by three generations of the Hunnewell family. Gift of Mrs. Walter Hunnewell, Sr.

Longacre Farm Medfield (63 acres, 1973) Restriction protecting open and wooded land, including a high knoll and part of the floodplain of Tubwreck Brook and Mill Brook on Hartford Street just south of Rocky Woods Reservation. Borders Fork Factory Brook Reservation to the east. Gift of Joel A. Goldthwait.

Mayhew Island Chilmark (7 acres, 1974) Restriction protecting an island in Nashaquitsa Pond, south of Menemsha Pond. With its low upland and salt marsh, Mayhew or Bull Island is an outstanding landscape feature of the area. Gift of Mrs. Donald J. Hurley.

Nashawena Island Gosnold (1,900 acres, 1976) Restriction protecting the second largest of the Elizabeth Islands; includes some nine miles of shoreline, grassy hills and moorland, wooded dells and high sand cliffs. Working farm, wildlife. Restriction permits construction of no more than 15 additional residences (three existed in 1976), not more than six of which may be erected in any 20 year period. Gift of the shareholders and Trustees of the Nashawena Trust. Trustees are John M. Forbes, Stephen H. Forbes and Owen S. Walker.

Prospect Hill Chilmark (8 acres, 1973)

Restriction protecting open land on Prospect Hill, including the summit. Highest hilltop (308 feet) on Martha's Vineyard. Magnificent views. Borders Menemsha Hills Reservation to the north. Gift of the Trustees of the Prospect Hill Realty Trust: Mrs. Robert B. Anderson, David Flanders, Robert G. Lawrence and Andrew Marvel.

Seven Gates Farm Chilmark and West Tisbury (1,100 acres, 1975)

Restriction protecting more than two miles of shoreline on Vineyard Sound. Three ponds, fields and woodland with stands of beech, oak and maple. Landscape features include glacial erratics, kames and kettle holes. Restriction permits the construction of no more than 10 additional residences. Gift of Seven Gates Farm Corporation.

Tiah's Cove West Tisbury (65 acres, 1976)

Restriction protects a point of land on the north shore of Tisbury Great Pond. Bordered by Tiah's Cove and Short Cove, the property includes grassy and wooded upland, beach and salt marsh. Gift of Mrs. Mildred L. Spalding.

Trout Brook Dover (110 acres, 1975)

Restriction protects open land and forest, primarily hardwood with stands of pine, spruce and hemlock. Includes two ponds, a portion of Trout Brook and a smaller stream. Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Channing.

Tuckernuck Island Protection Program Nantucket (276.5 acres, 1977)

Five 30-year restrictions preserving the scenic beauty and natural resources of Tuckernuck Island, Nantucket Sound. Includes ocean beach, portions of two salt ponds (East Pond and North Pond), moors and wooded land. Restriction at North Pond provides for the addition of two dwellings. Part of a continuing program to preserve the charm and character of Tuckernuck Island. Restrictions are the gifts of Mrs. Edward D. Bodman, Mrs. Felicia Reed Clark and Mrs. Frederick R.H. Witherby; Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Congdon, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Walker and the shareholders and Trustees of the La Farge Tuckernuck Trust. Trustees are Henry A. La Farge and Andrew L. Nichols.

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Arbor vitae stand like sentinels before Stanford White's great shingled summer house—Naumkeag, Stockbridge.



History and Organization

The Trustees of Reservations was created in 1891. Its founding was due primarily to the genius of one man, Charles Eliot of Cambridge.

A landscape architect, disciple of America's dean of landscape architects, Frederick Law Olmsted, Charles Eliot (1859–1897) was the son of Charles William Eliot, President of Harvard University from 1869 to 1909.

Concerned with the need to preserve "fine bits of natural scenery" to provide "rest and refreshment" for the citizens of the metropolitan area, Eliot in January, 1890, proposed the establishment of an organization "to hold small and well distributed parcels of land, just as the Public Library holds books and Art Museums pictures for the use and enjoyment of the public."

The Trustees of Reservations (until 1954 The Trustees of Public Reservations) was incorporated by the Massachusetts General Court a year later (Chapter 352, Acts of 1891) "for the purpose of acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historic places and tracts of land . . . "

In the first year of existence, The Trustees of Reservations acted to protect "a beautiful tract of diversified woodland in Stoneham, containing about 20 acres." It could not be accepted, however, until a fund of some \$2,000 had been raised by public spirited citizens to provide for its maintenance and protection. The area, Virginia Wood, is today a part of Middlesex Fells Reservation.

In 1892, The Trustees of Reservations successfully urged the establishment of a metropolitan park system in the Boston area, the first of its kind in the nation. And in 1894, The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty was founded in England. Its original concept was patterned directly upon The Trustees of Reservations and, until it was reorganized by an Act of Parliament in 1971, a designee of the Standing Committee served as a member of its ruling Council.

Acquiring Land

The Trustees of Reservations acquires land for open space, natural areas or historic preservation either by deed or by legacy from the donor. When property is purchased, The Trustees of Reservations depends upon contributions to help defray the costs. Gifts of either land (at fair market value) or money qualify for Federal income tax deduction up to 50 per cent of the donor's adjusted gross income. The Trustees of Reservations may also acquire conservation or preservation easements or restrictions.

Organization

Besides the General and Friends membership, there are some 150 members of the corporation, traditionally called "Trustees." The organization's governing board is its 14-member Standing Committee which meets monthly. There is a small paid staff.

For each Reservation, with some exceptions, there is a Local Committee. Its members are usually residents of the area in which the Reservation is located. They provide a vital interest in its care and may help administer and oversee it as circumstances require.



Flowering Northern Clintonia (Clintonia borealis) such as these brighten the border of woodland paths at Agassiz Rock, Manchester.

Charter¹

Section 1. Frederick L. Ames, Philip A. Chase, Christopher Clarke, Charles R. Codman, Elisha S. Converse, George F. Hoar, John J. Russell, Leverett Saltonstall, Charles S. Sargent, Nathaniel S. Shaler, George Sheldon, William S. Shurtleff, George H. Tucker, Francis A. Walker, George Wigglesworth, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of The Trustees of Reservations², for the purpose of acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining, and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historic places and tracts of land within this Commonwealth, and acquiring, holding, maintaining and enforcing such conservation and preservation restrictions, easements and other interests in land, water areas and structures as it deems appropriate and in the public interest, in the manner and to the extent permitted by law³, with the powers and privileges and subject to the duties set forth in chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes and in such other general laws as now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations; but said corporation shall have no capital stock.

Section 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold by grant, gift, devise, purchase, or otherwise, real estate such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public, but not exceeding one million dollars in value, and such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further sum of ten million dollars⁴.

Section 3. All personal property held by said corporation, and all lands which it may cause to be opened and kept open to

^{&#}x27;Originally Enacted by The Massachusetts General Court, Chapter 352, Acts of 1891.

²The name The Trustees of Public Reservations was changed to The Trustees of Reservations by vote of the Corporation at its meeting on January 20, 1954. Name changed by Act of Legislature on February 4, 1954.

³In accordance with Section 10 of Chapter 180, Massachusetts General Laws, the provisions relating to conservation and preservation restrictions, etc. were added to the purposes of **The Trustees of Reservations** by vote of the Corporation at a special meeting on April 21, 1971.

⁴In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 819, Acts of the General Court 1971, The Trustees of Reservations may hold both real and personal property in an unlimited amount.

the public, and all lands which it may acquire and hold with this object in view, shall be exempt from taxation, in the same manner and to the same extent as the property of literary, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions incorporated within this Commonwealth is now exempt by law; but no lands so acquired and held and not open to the public shall be so exempt from taxation for a longer period than two years. Said corporation shall never make any division or dividend of or from its property or income among its members.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

By-Laws*

Article I

Of Trustees

- 1. The members of the corporation, in whom are reposed the full and exclusive duty and power to vote in respect of all matters to be acted upon at any meeting of the corporation, shall be designated 'Trustees' and each Trustee shall have one vote, to be exercised in person or by proxy. The number of Trustees shall not exceed one hundred fifty, nor shall it be less than one hundred, and they shall be elected by the corporation for such term as the corporation shall determine.
- 2. The Standing Committee may, if it sees fit, nominate Trustees by inserting the names of candidates in the notice of any meeting of the corporation and may designate the terms for which such candidates are so nominated.
- 3. An election of Trustees may take place at any annual meeting or at any special meeting if notice thereof is contained in the notice of the meeting, and any person who receives the vote of two-thirds of the Trustees present in person or represented by proxy shall, on his acceptance of his election, be declared and enrolled a Trustee of the corporation. Any Trustee may resign by written notice, signed by the Trustee and delivered to the Secretary or to another officer of the corporation.

Article II

Of Contributors

1. All persons from whom the corporation shall receive real or personal property shall be enrolled in such categories of

^{*}As amended January 30, 1963

^{*}As amended January 29, 1969

^{*}As amended January 27, 1971

^{*}As amended January 31, 1973

^{*}As amended January 28, 1976

^{*}As amended January 26, 1977

membership and for such terms as the Standing Committee may from time to time determine.

2. But no donor of money or property shall be a member of the corporation unless and until duly elected as provided in Article I. Notwithstanding that such donors shall not be subject to any duty or responsibility in the management or affairs of the corporation, they may, if convened in a meeting at the direction of the Standing Committee, take advisory action and make recommendations in respect of any matter submitted to such meeting. At any such meeting each person shall be entitled to one vote to be cast in person or by proxy.

Article III

Of Meetings of the Corporation

1. The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held at such place in the Commonwealth, at such time and on such date in April or May, as the Standing Committee may determine.

In the event the annual meeting is not called and held as here-in prescribed, the Standing Committee shall order a special meeting to be called and held in lieu of and for the purposes of the annual meeting, and all references in the By-Laws to the annual meeting shall be deemed to refer also to a special meeting called in lieu of and for the purposes of the annual meeting. Special meetings of the corporation may be called by the Standing Committee to meet at any time and at any place within the Commonwealth. Notice of any meeting of the corporation shall be given at least seven days before the date of the meeting by mailing postpaid to each member of the corporation at his address of record last appearing on the books of the corporation a notice thereof and, if a special meeting, a statement of the purposes for which the meeting is called.

- 2. A quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the corporation shall consist of a majority of all members of the corporation then incumbent, present in person or represented by proxy, but a majority of the members so present or represented, although less than a quorum, may adjourn any meeting from time to time unless the business shall have been finished. Except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws, the vote of a majority of a quorum shall suffice to take any action.
- 3. Officers and members of the Standing Committee shall be elected by ballot. Any other action to be taken by members of the corporation may be taken by voice vote unless a member requests a written ballot in which case a ballot shall be taken.
- 4. At all meetings of the corporation the President shall take the chair as soon as a quorum is present; and the record of the preceding meeting shall then be read, unless such reading is dispensed with by the unanimous consent of those present.

5. At the annual meeting of the corporation the order of business shall be as follows, except to the extent that the President may modify the same:

First. The unfinished business and the assignments of the last meeting shall be announced by the Secretary to the President and taken up in order.

Second. The Director shall be called upon to submit a written report of the doings of the corporation for the previous fiscal year.

Third. The Treasurer shall be called upon to submit a written report of his doings for the previous fiscal year and of the financial condition of the corporation as of the close of the previous fiscal year.

Fourth. The Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts shall be called on for a report.

Fifth. Any special committee which may have been appointed during the year shall be called on to report.

Sixth. If the Standing Committee shall have proposed changes in the By-Laws, or if changes in the By-Laws have been proposed by a Trustee, the same shall be voted upon.

Seventh. If the Standing Committee shall have made any nominations to membership in the corporation, or if such nominations are made by a Trustee, an election shall be held.

Eighth. An election of officers and members of the Standing Committee shall be held, if there are terms which have expired or vacancies to be filled.

Ninth. The President shall give the members present an opportunity to present new business.

Tenth. The President shall appoint a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

Article IV

Of Officers

1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The officers shall be chosen by ballot by the members of the corporation at an annual meeting and they shall hold their offices for three years, or for such shorter terms as the corporation at its annual meeting shall determine, and until others are duly chosen and qualified in their stead. Except in the case of the Secretary, an officer may not serve more than six consecutive years in the same office, but may serve again in the same office after an interval of one year. The Standing Committee may elect or appoint such other officers of the corporation as it may from time to time determine, including, but not limited

to, one or more assistant secretaries and one or more assistant treasurers, and any such officers appointed by the Standing Committee shall serve for such terms and shall have such powers and duties as the Standing Committee may from time to time prescribe.

- 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the corporation. If he is absent a Vice-President in order of seniority, and, if no Vice-President is present, a President *pro tempore*, chosen by hand vote of the members of the corporation present, shall preside.
- 3. The Secretary, who shall be a resident of the Commonwealth, shall warn the members of all meetings of the corporation according as he may be directed by vote of the Standing Committee. He shall call the meetings of the Standing Committee as he may be directed by the chairman of the Committee or on the request in writing of any two members thereof. He shall keep an exact record of all meetings of the corporation and of the Standing Committee, with the names of the members present, entering in full all reports of committees which may be accepted by either body, unless otherwise directed.
- 4. The Treasurer shall keep regular and faithful account of all the moneys and funds of the corporation which shall come into his hands and of all receipts and expenditures connected with the same, which accounts shall always be open to the inspection of members of the corporation. He shall make no investments and pay no moneys without either the approval of a majority of the Standing Committee or of such officer, agent or committee as said Standing Committee shall appoint to act for it in these matters and in accordance with such procedures as the Standing Committee shall establish.

Article V

Of the Standing Committee

1. The Standing Committee shall consist of fourteen persons, including the President, the Treasurer and the Secretary who shall be members of the Standing Committee, ex officio. The members of the Standing Committee, other than the members ex officio, shall be chosen by ballot by the members of the corporation at an annual meeting. The elected members of the Standing Committee shall be divided into three classes, one of which shall consist of three members and two of which shall consist of four members. One class shall be elected at each annual meeting of the corporation and shall hold office for a term of three years and until others are duly chosen and qualified in their stead. A member of the Standing Committee may not serve more than two consecutive three year terms as an elected member of the Standing Committee after an interval of one year.

- 2. The Standing Committee shall, at the first meeting after the annual meeting of the corporation in each year, elect a chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside at all meetings of the Committee. In his absence a chairman *pro tempore* may be chosen by hand vote. The Standing Committee shall meet at least once in every month, and a quorum shall consist of not less than three members.
- 3. The Standing Committee may fill any vacancy in any of the offices of the corporation or in its own membership until the next annual meeting of the corporation, may nominate or refuse to nominate new members of the corporation, may accept or decline gifts offered to the corporation, may establish a fiscal year for the corporation, may approve or disapprove investments or expenditures, may approve or disapprove all bills against the corporation, may declare any office, including the office of a member of the Standing Committee, vacant if the Standing Committee by affirmative vote of two-thirds of its members so determines, may make such arrangements for the holding and conduct of its meetings and notice thereof as it may determine, may appoint subcommittees of its members, or committees consisting of members or other persons not members, may appoint and remove agents, may engage whatever assistance is needed to administer the affairs of the corporation, may designate such agents and employees by such titles as they may deem proper, and, in general, may exercise all the powers of a board of directors and all the executive powers of the corporation.
- 4. Any officer of the corporation shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Standing Committee but without vote unless he is a member of the Standing Committee as above provided.

Article VI

Of the Advisory Council

Members of the Advisory Council shall be chosen at the annual meeting of the corporation, and they shall hold their offices for such term as the corporation shall determine. The members of the Advisory Council shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Standing Committee but without vote.

Article VII

Of the Seal

The corporate seal shall be a circular, flat-faced die of about an inch and a half in diameter, with the name of the corporation, the year of its organization, and the word "Massachusetts" and the figure of a pine tree so engraved on its face that it can be embossed on paper by pressure.

Article VIII

Of Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended, altered, or repealed at any meeting of the corporation by a two-thirds vote of the members present in person or represented by proxy, provided that notice of such proposed change shall have been given in the call of the meeting.

"The Cherry Pickers," white plate of Chinese Export porcelain, ca. 1750-1760. Scene depicted is after a painting by French artist Nicolas Lancret (1690-1743)—Naumkeag collection, Stockbridge.



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	Gordon Abbott, Jr.	Executive Secretary Director		1958-1968

Charles Eliot



Landscape Architect 1859 – 1897

Membership and Gifts

Contributions to The Trustees of Reservations are deductible for Federal income tax purposes to the extent provided by law.

Although 33 properties have endowments, total endowment income meets just 44 percent of the total cost of operations, while proceeds from admission, parking and other related fees provide about 40 percent. The remaining 16 percent must come from gifts and membership contributions.

You may join The Trustees of Reservations in any of eight categories and, if you wish, assign your contribution to the special program or Reservation of your choice. Those who join as Benefactors are carried on the organization's permanent records. All other categories of membership are renewable annually.

Friends Organizations

You may choose to help support the continuing preservation of one or more properties which are served by a *Friends* organization, such as the *Friends of Misery Islands Reservation* or the *Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge*. Becoming a *Friend* assures that your contribution is assigned directly to the property involved to meet costs of operation and to provide funds for special projects.

Contributions to the *Friends* are also deductible for Federal income tax purposes. At Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House, at Wasque Reservation and at World's End Reservation, members of the *Friends* are provided individual admission and/or parking privileges. At other properties served by *Friends* organizations, there are no admission fees.

All general members and members of *Friends* organizations receive a Newsletter and Annual Report, special mailings, notices of membership events, including Field Days, and an invitation to the annual Conservation Award ceremony.

Categories of Membership

Associate Member	\$ 15	Sustaining Men	mber 250
Member	25	Sponsor	500
Contributing Member	50	Patron	1,000
Supporting Member	100	Benefactor	5,000 or more

These categories also apply to the Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House, Ashley Falls; Friends of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, Chappaquiddick, Martha's Vineyard; Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket; Friends of Misery Islands Reservation, Salem; and Friends of World's End Reservation and Whitney & Thayer Woods, Hingham and Cohasset.

Gifts of Securities

Many persons may find that a gift of appreciated securities is an attractive way of contributing to The Trustees of Reservations.

A gift of long-term securities is deductible for their fair market value subject to limitations set forth in the Internal Revenue Code.

How to Give Securities

Inform The Trustees of Reservations that you wish to make a gift of securities. Instruct your broker or financial representative to hold the stock for the account of The Trustees of Reservations pending instructions from The Trustees of Reservations as to registration and/or disposition of the securities. Gifts of securities should be directed to the attention of the Treasurer, H. Gilman Nichols, The Trustees of Reservations, 224 Adams Street, Milton, Massachusetts 02186. If securities are to be delivered to The Trustees of Reservations directly, they should be sent by registered mail to Antony Edgar, Senior Vice President, New England Merchants National Bank, 28 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109. In addition, an executed stock power should be mailed under separate cover.

Bequests

The Trustees of Reservations received its first bequest in 1902, a legacy of \$2,000 for the general purposes of the organization from Joseph B. Glover, a public-spirited Bostonian.

It set an example of thoughtfulness and generosity which has been followed throughout the years, enabling The Trustees of Reservations to successfully accomplish its charter purposes preserving, for public enjoyment, "beautiful and historic places and tracts of land within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

Many persons who have given their properties to The Trustees of Reservations have provided endowments which have helped assure their continuing preservation. Others who have cherished a particular property or the memory of its original donor have bequeathed funds whose income is directly assigned to meet the costs of that property's management and protection.

Others have given bequests whose income is unrestricted, enabling The Trustees of Reservations to acquire and maintain properties of significant environmental value without specific endowment.

Forms of Bequests

A donor who wishes to make a bequest to The Trustees of Reservations may use one of several testamentary forms. Donors are advised to consult their lawyers and financial advisors when making any gift of size and complexity.

Sample forms of both a restricted and unrestricted bequest are as follows:

Unrestricted Bequest "I give to The Trustees of Reservations, a Massachusetts charitable Corporation, (the sum of \$_____) (all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate) to be applied to the general uses and purposes of said Organization."

Restricted Bequest	"I give to The Trustees of Reservations,
	aritable Corporation, (the sum of
\$) (all the	rest, residue and remainder of my estate)
to be used for the	following specific use or pur-
pose	,,

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